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## SPECIAL ORDER

No. 245  
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**SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT PHILIPPINE RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (PRDP) SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARDS (SES) REFRESHER COURSE ON THE INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS FRAMEWORK (IESSF)**

In the exigency of service, the Philippine Rural Development Project (PRDP) is hereby authorized to conduct the PRDP SES Refresher Course on the Integrated Environmental and Social Safeguards Framework (IESSF) on March 13-17, 2023 at the National Capital Region.

The refresher course aims for the participants to gain understanding of the PRDP Safeguards Framework, its basis and key concepts; to identify possible impacts and risk of each type of subproject and propose possible mitigation measures; to familiarize with basic safeguard considerations during Joint Technical Review (JTR), Subproject Appraisal and Review (SPAR), Compliance Monitoring and other SES activities, and; to discuss and clarify other concerns. At the end of the activity, a post-activity report will be prepared to include the highlights and topics discussed.

The following PRDP SES Units from DA-PRDP National Project Coordination Office (NPCO), Project Support Offices (PSOs) and Regional Project Coordination Offices (RPCOs) are hereby authorized to participate in the said activity:

OFFICE	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
NPCO	6
PSO-Luzon A SES	2
PSO-Luzon B SES	2
PSO-Visayas SES	2
PSO-Mindanao SES	2
RPCOs SES (CAR, I, II, III, IVA, IVB, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII AND BARMM)	48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62</b>



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Expenses for food and accommodation for the training shall be charged to PRDP NPCO funds, while the transportation expense and per diem of the participants shall be charged to their respective agencies' funds, subject to availability of funds and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall be considered revoked upon completion of the event. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 2nd day of March, 2023.

**DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN**  
Senior Undersecretary



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