



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

No. 399  
Series of 2023

**SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY (BPI) ASSISTANT DIRECTOR RUEL C. GESMUNDO AS OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF HIGH VALUE CROPS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND NATIONAL URBAN AND PERI-URBAN AGRICULTURE PROGRAM**

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In the exigency of service and in view of the official travel of Director Gerald Glenn F. Panganiban, Ph.D. on April 11-14, 2023, Assistant Director Ruel C. Gesmundo, is hereby designated as Officer-in-Charge of the following offices in concurrent capacity:

- **High Value Crops Development Program (HVCDP); and**
- **National Urban and Peri-Urban Agriculture Program (NUPAP)**

As such, Assistant Director Gesmundo shall perform the functions, duties, and responsibilities inherent to the designation, and such others as directed by the undersigned and the Secretary.

This Order shall take effect on April 11, 2023 and shall be revoked upon the official return of Director Panganiban. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

**DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN**  
*Senior Undersecretary*



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