



Republic of the Philippines  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
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**SPECIAL ORDER**  
NO. 432  
Series of 2023

**SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE SMALL PELAGICS CATCH ESTIMATES REVIEW WORKSHOP AND REFERENCE POINTS, HARVEST CONTROL RULES, AND HARVEST CONTROL MEASURES ORIENTATION WORKSHOP**

In the interest of the service, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) is hereby authorized to conduct and attend the Small Pelagics Catch Estimates Review Workshop and Reference Points (RPs), Harvest Control Rules (HCRs), and Harvest Control Measures (HCMs) Orientation Workshop in Davao City on April 17-22, 2023.

The objectives of the proposed activities are as follows:

1. To gain deeper understanding on the production data gathered from different sources (Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), National Fisheries Research and Development Institute (NFRDI), National Stock Assessment Program (NSAP), Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), Fishing Companies, and Cannery/Processors);
2. To consolidate production data on small pelagic fisheries from 2018-2022;
3. To establish a protocol to harmonize fisheries production data for fisheries management and for decision-making;
4. To provide BFAR managers with better understanding and appreciation on RPs, HCRs, and HCMs;
5. To have proper guidance from BFAR management on the adoption and implementation of RPs, HCRs, and HCMs; and
6. To be able to come up with an action plan to be initiated in all Fisheries Management Areas (FMAs).

The following are authorized to participate in the above workshops:

**1. Small Pelagics Catch Estimates Review Workshop**

<b>Agency/Sector</b>	<b>Number of Participant(s)</b>	<b>Role/Responsibility</b>
1. National Fisheries Research and Development Institute (NFRDI)	4	Resource Person
2. BFAR National Stock Assessment Program (NSAP) Projects Leaders	17	Present Catch Estimates by Region and FMA
3. Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) Port Managers (Bulan/Camaligan, Iloilo, General	7	Present Landings of Sardines and Small Pelagics

Santos, Lucena, Navotas, Sual, and Zamboanga)		
4. Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)	2	Present Catch Estimates by Province and Municipalities
5. Fishing Vessel Operators (AFFAPI, IDSFA, SOPHIL)	6	Present Catch Records (C.Y. 2022 monthly data and 2018-2021 annual data)
6. Cannery/Processor (Canned Sardines Association of the Philippines (CSAP) Representatives)	5	Present Production Data (including the source of raw materials and the number of cans produced)
7. BFAR Central Office Personnel	9	Resource Person/ Secretariat/Facilitator
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	

## 2. Reference Points, Harvest Control Rules, and Harvest Control Measures Orientation/ Workshop

Agency/Sector	Number of Participant(s)	Role/Responsibility
1. BFAR-Central Office Officials	5	Participant
2. BFAR RFOs/Regional Directors	17	Participant
3. National Fisheries Research and Development Institute (NFRDI)	4	Resource Person
4. BFAR-RFOs/NSAP Project Leaders	24	Present RPs, HCRs, and HCMs to BFAR Managers
5. BFAR-Central Office Personnel	10	Resource Person/Facilitator/Secretariat
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	

The Capture Fisheries Division (CFD) shall serve as the organizer, facilitator, and secretariat of the activities.

All expenses relative to the conduct of the above activities such as food, accommodation/venue, supplies and materials, and other incidental expenses shall be charged against BFAR Central Office Fund while traveling expenses, airfare, and per diem of the participants shall be charged against their respective offices, subject to the availability of funds and following the existing accounting rules and regulations.

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

Done this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023

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