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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKSHOP ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AGRICULTURE SUBSECTOR INDICATORS SYSTEM (ASSIST)

In the exigency of service and to address the issues and challenges concerning the centralization of agriculture sector data, the Department of Agriculture (DA) is establishing the Agriculture Subsector Indicators System (ASSIST). The ASSIST will compile data and information relevant to strategic policy-making, planning, and implementation of agriculture and fisheries development interventions.

ASSIST aims to systematize and institutionalize the data repository system and its analytics. It aims to develop a macroeconomic dashboard that will provide DA with timely, reliable, and readily-available information on the state of the sector, progress, and industry challenges. The information will be used to make informed decisions, design effective policies and programs, and monitor and evaluate the performance of the agricultural sector.

The ASSIST is a subsystem and an input to the Agriculture-based Central Data Ecosystem (AbCDE) project of the Department.

The Information and Communications Technology Service (ICTS) is hereby authorized to conduct the **Workshop on the Establishment of the Agriculture Subsector Indicators System (ASSIST)** in a private facility. The activity is scheduled as follows:

Activity	Date	Venue
Workshop on the Establishment of the Agriculture Sub-Sector Indicators System (ASSIST)	June 5 - 9, 2023	Region IV-A

The activity aims:

1. To finalize the ASSIST framework;
2. To review, identify, and standardize the priority internal and external data sources;
3. To plan and evaluate the data submission and report generation protocols;
4. To formulate strategies in support of the ASSIST; and
5. To identify the Project Management Team composition.

The following are authorized to attend and participate in the workshop:

OFFICE	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and Regulations	2
Office of the Secretary	5
Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (AMAS)	2
FOS - Field Programs Operational Planning Division (FPOPD)	2
Project Development Service (PDS)	2
PMS - Planning Monitoring and Evaluation Division (PMED)	2
PRS - Food, Agriculture, and Fisheries Policy Division (FAFPD)	2
PRS - Macro Economic Policy Division (MEPD)	2
Agricultural Training Institute (ATI)	1
Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)	3
Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR)	1
National Dairy Authority (NDA)	1
National Food Authority (NFA)	1
National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS)	1
Philippine Council for Agriculture and Fisheries (PCAF)	1
Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA)	1
Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority (PhilFIDA)	1
Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA)	1
High-Value Crops Development Program (HVCDP)	2



National Corn Program (NCP)	1
National Livestock Program (NLP)	1
National Irrigation Administration (NIA)	1
Philippine Integrated Rice Program (PIRP)	1
Information and Communications Technology Service (ICTS)	
ICTS Director and Chiefs	5
Workshop Facilitators and Technical Staff	7
Support Staff (Secretariat, Documenters, Technician, and Drivers)	11
Guests	5
TOTAL	65

Participants should be the staff handling the reports and are expected to bring electronic copies of their documents for presentation and discussion during the workshop.

Payment for the venue/ training facilities, food, accommodation, supplies and materials, and other incidental expenses shall be charged against the DA-ICTS funds, subject to the availability of funds and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Traveling expenses and per diem of the participants shall be charged against the participant's respective offices.

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

Done this 25th day of April 2023.

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