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SPECIAL ORDER

No.: <u>569</u> Series of 2023



SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE TO THE PHILIPPINE COFFEE EXPO 2023 AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER, PASAY CITY ON JUNE 2-4, 2023

In the exigency of service and as part of the continuous provision of technical assistance to the project coffee beneficiaries, the Department of Agriculture – Philippine Rural Development Project Enterprise Development Component (DA PRDP I-REAP) and DA- Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (DA-AMAS) are hereby authorized to participate in the *Philippine Coffee Expo 2023* at the *World Trade Center*, *Pasay City on June 2-4, 2023*.

This year's theme is "Celebrating Philippine Coffee: Brewing the Future". The expo will provide an avenue for convergence to address the sector's most prominent challenges and uncover market opportunities through technical discussions, presentation of new technologies to increase productivity and quality, and broaden networks within the coffee sector. Major activities of this event include business matching, coffee exhibitions, plenary and breakout sessions, and roasters-producers forum. The event will also culminate with the awarding ceremony of the Philippine Coffee Quality Competition (PCQC) to encourage the coffee producers and processors to produce quality robusta and arabica coffee.

The authorized participants who will serve as exhibitors in this event are the proponent groups of coffee-supported enterprises under DA PRDP I-REAP as well as coffee beneficiaries under the AMAS/AMADs and also project staff from the National Project Coordination Office I-REAP (NPCO-IREAP), Project Support Offices (PSOs), Regional Project Coordination Offices (RPCOs), AMAS and Agribusiness Marketing Assistance Division (AMAD) in selected DA RFOs.

As such, expenses relative to the PRDP participation to include payment for booth design and construction, amenities and incidental expenses are chargeable against PRDP NPCO I-REAP while expenses for food, accommodation, transportation and other incidental expenses of the proponent groups and coffee beneficiaries shall be charged against concerned PSOs/RPCOs and DA RFOs and travelling expenses and per diems of staff from PRDP, AMAS and AMAD are chargeable against their respective offices funds, subject to the availability of funds and the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 91 day of 2023

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