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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 648

Series of 2023

SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE SEAWEED STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATION DIALOGUE ON THE LOOMING IMPACT OF EL NIÑO PHENOMENON IN SEAWEED FARMING

In the interest of service and to mitigate the looming impact of El Niño in seaweed farming and in the income of seaweed farmers, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) is hereby authorized to conduct the **Seaweed Stakeholders Consultation Dialogue on the Looming Impact of El Niño Phenomenon in Seaweed Farming** on June 1, 2023 in Mandaue City, Cebu.

The activity aims to:

1. Create awareness and preparedness among seaweed farmers relative to the looming impact of El Niño phenomenon in seaweed farming;
2. Mitigate the impact of El Niño phenomenon in seaweed farming as well as health risk among seaweed farmers;
3. Come up with a recommendation on how to sustain the current seaweed production amidst El Niño phenomenon.

The authorized participants of the activity are:

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Provincial Fishery Officers	Region I to CARAGA
Regional Seaweed Coordinator	Region I to CARAGA
Seaweed Farmer Leader	Region I to CARAGA and BARMM
Private Sectors and Academe	Selected Regions
Local Government Units	Selected Regions



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Expenses for the venue, food and accommodation and other incidental expenses shall be chargeable against BFAR Central Office while travelling expenses and per diem of participants shall be charged against their respective offices' fund subject to the 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 activity. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 26th day of May, 2023

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Senior Undersecretary



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