

SPECIAL ORDER

No. 784 Series of 2023

SUBJECT:

CREATION OF ONE DA NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE (NSC) ON THE UNITED NATIONS- FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION (UN-FAO)-

ASSISTED PROJECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT

In support of the goal to effectively implement the foreign-assisted projects of the Department, the One Department of Agriculture (DA)- National Steering Committee (NSC) for United Nations-Food and Agriculture Organization (UN-FAO)-funded agriculture projects is hereby created with the following compositions:

Chair:

Senior Undersecretary

Vice-Chair: Members: Assistant Secretary for Operations Director, Field Operations Service

Director, Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service

Director, Project Development Service

Chief, Special Projects Coordination and Management Assistance Division

Other DA operating units/bureaus/attached agencies may also be included as members of the Committee depending on the nature of the FAO-assisted project.

The One DA National Steering Committee of all FAO-assisted projects shall have the following tasks:

- 1. Provide strategic and overall policy directions in the implementation of programs/ projects and other related activities being supported by FAO;
- 2. Review and approve the work and financial plan of the project;
- 3. Provide guidance in ensuring the projects' relevance, effectiveness, efficiency and sustainability, and impact of development aid through linkages and collaboration between and among important stakeholders in government and non-government institutions.

The Project Management/Coordination Office/s of the FAO-assisted projects shall serve as its Technical Secretariat to the One DA National Steering Committee. Its specific tasks are as follows:

- 1. Provide overall technical, logistical and administrative support, and other necessary arrangements for the NSC meetings;
- 2. Provide updates and implementation status of the FAO-assisted projects;
- 3. Document and monitor the implementation of agreements reached during the NSC meetings for updating and timely reporting to the NSC; and

4. Prepare minutes of the meetings and proceedings of related activities (e.g. consultations, workshops).

To harmonize and collate documents or information pertaining to all FAO-assisted projects of the Department, the Special Projects Coordination and Management Assistance Division (SPCMAD) shall maintain as the central repository relative thereto.

All incidental expenses that may be incurred during the meeting by the NSC and its Secretariat shall be charged against their respective project funds, subject to the approved work and financial plan and usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 26th day of June 2023.

DOMINGO PANGANIBAN Senior Undersecretary



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