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SUBJECT : CREATION OF THE NATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (NTC) FOR THE CY 2023 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING RURAL WOMEN OR THE "GAWAD PARANGAL SA KATANGI-TANGING KABABAIHAN SA KANAYUNAN"

In the exigency of service, the National Technical Committee (NTC) for the CY 2023 Department of Agriculture Search for Outstanding Rural Women (SORW) or the "*Gawad Parangal sa Katangi-tanging Kababaihan sa Kanayunan*" is hereby created in accordance with the Guidelines of the SORW as stipulated in Memorandum Order No. 42 series of 2023.

The NTC shall be composed of the following:

STEERING COMMITTEE

Chairperson : **AGNES CATHERINE T. MIRANDA**
Undersecretary for Administration and Finance, and
Chairperson, DA-Gender and Development Focal Point System
(GFPS)

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Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs and Department
Legislative Liaison Officer (DLLO)
Vice Chairperson, GFPS

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Assistant Secretary for DA Inspectorate and Enforcement
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TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

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Executive Director, Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC)

Vice Chairperson : **MILDRED MERCENE-BUAZON**
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As such, the members of the NTC shall conduct the table evaluation and field validation of the nominees for the national award from the DA Regional Field Offices (DA RFOs) and provide technical inputs for the members of the Board of Judges (BOJ) in their deliberation and selection of winners.

The DA Gender and Development Focal Point System (GFPS) shall ensure the success of this activity in line with the pursuit of the DA for gender equality and women empowerment as provided in RA 9710, otherwise known as the Magna Carta of Women (MCW).

All expenses incurred in the conduct of the SORW shall be charged to the GAD funds of the DA, its bureaus and attached agencies and corporations concerned. The transportation and travelling expenses of NTC members shall be charged to the GAD funds of respective offices. All charges shall be subject to the availability of funds and existing government accounting rules and regulations.

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

Done this 14th day of July 2023.

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