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SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE WORKSHOP "SCALING OF RICE TECHNOLOGIES FOR 2024"

The Masagana Rice Program is anchored on its four key strategies: (1) increasing rice productivity by optimizing yields, reducing risk, and increasing resilience through climate change adaptation measures; (2) achieving economies of scale, more efficient operations, and agribusiness through farm clustering and consolidation; (3) quickly implementing digital transformation for rice agriculture; and (4) reorienting the rice program towards a comprehensive "Triple A" approach (i.e., agricultural production, agribusiness, and agritourism).

In support of these strategies, the following rice technologies shall be further expanded to the identified rice-producing provinces for 2024: Palayamanan; System of Rice Intensification (SRI); Agroecology Based Rice Farming (AbRF); and Heirloom Rice Production.

This is in preparation for the implementation and scaling up of these technologies in 2024. Thus, the DA-National Rice Program (DA-NRP) and the DA-Agricultural Training Institute (DA-ATI) are hereby authorized to conduct the Workshop "Scaling of Rice Technologies for 2024" in Region III on September 12-15, 2023, and in Region 12 on October 3-6, 2023.

Expenses incurred in relation to the event which includes payment of food and accommodation of the participants, facilitators, local speakers, honoraria of non-DA resource persons, seminar kits, supplies and materials, and other incidental expenses shall be charged against ATI- Rice Program funds, and RFO-Rice Program Funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 23 day of August 2023.

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