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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 1060

Series of 2023

SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF REGIONAL SEED COORDINATORS

To ensure the effective planning and implementation of the provisions of R.A. 7308, otherwise known as the Seed Industry Development Act of 1992, the following regional technical personnel are hereby designated as Regional Seed Coordinators:

Regional Field Office

RFO-CAR

RFO-I

RFO-II

RFO-III

RFO- IV-A (CALABARZON)

RFO- IV-B (MIMAROPA)

RFO-V

RFO-VI

RFO-VII

RFO-VIII

RFO-IX

RFO-X

RFO-XI

RFO-XII

RFO-XIII

MAFAR-BARMM

Regional Seed Coordinator

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As such, aligned to R.A. 7308 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, the above designated RSCs shall be under the direct supervision and guidance of the DA Regional Executive Directors (DA REDs) and the Minister of Agriculture Fisheries and Agrarian

Reform-Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (MAFAR-BARMM), and are fully authorized to undertake and be responsible for the following:

1. Coordinate seed multiplication/ production and certification, as well as the distribution of breeder, foundation and registered seeds in their respective regions;
2. Assist the DA REDs in the respective regions where they are assigned, in planning, coordination, monitoring, and evaluation of their respective provincial and regional seed programs;
3. Establish linkages and working mechanisms with various Seed Networks, breeding institutions (government and private), other government agencies, Local Government Units (LGUs), Non-government Organization (NGOs), Agricultural Institutions; and other external players of the Seed Industry Development Program;
4. Provide technical assistance to technicians, seed producers, farmers, accredited Seed Growers (SG), Plant Nursery Operators (PNOs), Seed Inspectors (SIs), Plant Material Inspectors (PMI), Plant Nursery Evaluators (PNEs), Agricultural Extension Workers (AEWs) and other stakeholders in the seed industry in coordination with implementors of various DA-RFO and MAFAR-BARMM programs;
5. Perform other functions related to seed industry development in the region.

In addition, they shall perform the following:

6. Plan, coordinate, monitor, evaluate and submit reports on all aspects of regional rice, corn and high value crops interventions, projects and activities related to seeds and plant materials including those under the Organic Agriculture Program (OAP). Generally, this cover but are not limited to matters on production, regulation and certification, supply or stocks inventory, seed reserves, procurement, distribution, and utilization up to farm level. The RSC shall work closely with all regional program/project coordinators/focal persons and various operating units to ensure harmonized regional plans and resource allocation for the effective integration and complementation of operational activities. As such the RSCs must have familiarity and knowledgeable on the annual plans, targets and budgets of the programs/projects of the DA RFOs and MAFAR-BARMM;



7. Monitor the production areas of both government and private sectors to help ensure the production of quality seeds and plant materials in close coordination with the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI);
8. Maintain and prepare inventory reports on all regional seed reserves using formats prescribed by the BPI. Inventory shall be updated every 15 and last day of each month. The updated reports shall be submitted to the Crop Research and Production Support Division of BPI (BPI-CRPSD) within two (2) working days from the said cut-off days;
9. Maintain and prepare inventory reports on all regional non-reserve seeds and plant materials stocks. This shall be updated every last day of the month using formats prescribed by the BPI;
10. Prepare and submit other regular and special reports required at regional and national level including those specified by the BPI and other national level DA offices; and
11. Review and affix initials on the seed and plant material-related reports submitted by regional program/projects focal on seed and plant material-related. Submission of such report/s is deemed official only when initialed by the concerned RSCs.

The DA REDs shall immediately designate at least two (2) technical staff to assist the RSCs on full time. The concerned regional program/project coordinators/focal persons shall always coordinate with the RSCs and the designated technical staff on matters pertaining to seeds and plant materials.

The DA REDs are directed to provide specific budget to RSCs from each commodity program and from other sources for its operation and shall authorize the disbursement of the funds for the purpose.

The responsible DA-RFO shall nominate in writing thru BPI at least 30 days prior to desired effectivity, a replacement of the RSC designated in this Special Order in view of re-assignment or retirement. Designation of the replacement is valid only upon issuance of a new Special Order by the DA Secretary

All DA-RFO regional program coordinators/focal persons of Rice, Corn, HVCDP and OAP Programs and operating units, and other concerned agencies are enjoined to support the designated RSCs.



This order shall take effect immediately and supersedes Special Order No. 349, Series of 2021 on the designation of RSCs and all other orders and issuances inconsistent herewith.

Done this 29th day of August 2023.

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