

SPECIAL ORDER
 No. 1182
 Series of 2023

**SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE 2ND MEETING OF THE
 MANAGEMENT BODY (MB), FISHERIES MANAGEMENT
 AREA 6 (FMA 6) CUM LAUNCHING OF THE WORLD BANK-
 FUNDED PHILIPPINE FISHERIES AND COASTAL RESILIENCY
 (FISHCORE) PROJECT**

Fisheries Administrative Order of FAO No. 263, Series of 2019 mandates the establishment of Fisheries Management Areas (FMAs) for the conservation and management of fisheries in Philippine waters. There are twelve (12) identified FMAs in the country. Further, FMA 6 was established synonymous to the West Philippine Sea, composed of six (6) regions such as Region I (Northwestern Luzon), Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), Region III (Lead Region), National Capital Region (NCR), Region IV-A (CALABARZON) and Region IV-B (MIMAROPA). In each of these FMAs, a Management Body (MB) is created composed of BFAR Regional Office, LGU, and different fishery sectors as stipulated in FAO No. 263, Series of 2019.

In the interest of service and for the effective implementation of the functions of the FMAs, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) is hereby authorized to conduct the “2nd Meeting of the Management Body of FMA 6 cum Launching of the World Bank-funded BFAR Philippine Fisheries and Coastal Resiliency (FishCoRe) Project” on September 25-26, 2023 in Subic, Zambales.

The agenda of the meetings are as follows:

1. Adoption by the MB of the FMA 6 Framework Plan 2023-2030
2. Concern by OCEANA on the suspension of FAO 266 s. 2020 or the Implementation of Vessel Monitoring Measures and Electronic Reporting System for Commercial Philippine Flagged Fishing Vessels
3. Updates on Responsible Seafood Summit
4. Updates on I-FIT on Commercial Fishing Vessel (CFV) and Municipal
5. Proposal for FMA 6 Mascot as IEC/CEPA
6. Proposed Joint FMA 6 and FMA 5 Cross Visit to Palawan on October 2023
7. World Bank BFAR Fisheries Coastal Resiliency (FishCoRe) Project Program of Activities
8. Other Matters

The authorized participants in the activity are:

Participants	Number
FMA 6 MB Members	11
FishCoRe Central Office	7
BFAR Region 3	4
BFAR Region 1	4
BFAR CAR	4
BFAR NCR	4
BFAR 4A	4

Participants	Number
BFAR MIMAROPA	4
FMA 6 Secretariat	10
NGA Representatives	
DENR	3
DA	5
DILG	3
PNP Maritime	3
Philippine Navy	3
PCG	3
Scientific Advisory Group	3
Oceana Representatives	2
USAID FishRight	3
Total	80

All expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the activity such as payment for the venue/training facilities, food and accommodation, vehicle rental, activity supplies and other incidental expenses shall be chargeable against the BFAR Central Office funds, while traveling expenses and per diem of participants shall be chargeable against the funds of their respective offices subject to the availability of funds and existing government procurement, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 25th day of September 2023.



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