



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Elliptical Road, Diliman 1100 Quezon City
+63(2) 8928-8741 to 64 and +63(2) 8273-2474

SPECIAL ORDER

No. 1365

Series of 2023

SUBJECT : CREATION OF A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR THE IDENTIFICATION AND FINALIZATION OF POTENTIAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO BE PROPOSED UNDER THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR TECHNICAL AND ANALYTICAL SUPPORT WORK OF THE WORLD BANK

In the exigency of service and in line with the ongoing discussions with the World Bank relative to their three-year technical and analytical support work for the agriculture sector, a Technical Working Group is hereby created comprised of the following:

- Chairperson : **Arnel V. de Mesa, CESO III**
Assistant Secretary for Operations and PRDP National Project Director
- Co-Chairperson: **Noel A. Padre**
Assistant Secretary for Policy Research and Development
- Members : **Michael R. Sollera**, OIC-Director, Planning and Monitoring Service
Jerome D. Bunyi, OIC-Director, Policy Research Service
Honorio C. Flameño, Director, Information and Communications Technology Service
Junibert E. De Sagun, OIC, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Consumer Affairs and Director, Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service
Fernando D. Flores, Director, Project Development Service
U-Nichols A. Manalo, OIC-Director, Field Operations Service and Program Director, National Corn Program
Demosthenes R. Escoto, Director, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
Andrew B. Villacorta, DVM, Head Directorate, National Rice Program
Gerald Glenn F. Panganiban, Ph.D., Program Director, High Value Crops Development Program
Bernadette F. San Juan, CESO, II, Program Director, National Organic Agriculture Program
Ruth S. Miclat-Sonaco, DVM, Program Director, National Livestock Program
Shandy M. Hubilla, CESO III, En.P., National Deputy Project Director, Philippine Rural Development Project and Program Director, Farm and Fisheries Clustering and Consolidation Program
Alicia G. Ilaga, Director, Climate Resilient Agriculture Office
- Secretariat : **Policy Research Service (PRS)**
Project Development Service (PDS)
Field Operations Service (FOS)

The Technical Working Group (TWG) is tasked to perform the following:

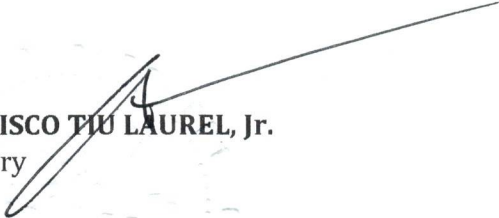
1. Identify, review and recommend potential technical assistance in support to the Department's priority plans and programs toward the modernization of agriculture sector.
2. Convene through a workshop/s to discuss and agree on the range of activities, resource requirement, timeline and specific target outputs of the identified technical assistance.
3. Meet with the World Bank to discuss and conduct relevant actions that will support the identified technical assistance and explore the Bank's available financing instruments for technical and analytical works.

The PRS, PDS, and FOS shall designate personnel that will act as the Secretariat of the TWG to provide administrative and technical support.

They shall be entitled to traveling expenses, per diem and other incidental expenses that may be incurred in the performance of their functions, chargeable against the funds of their respective agencies, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 10th day of November 2023.


FRANCISCO TIU LAUREL, Jr.
Secretary



DA-CO-ASECO-SO20231107-00035