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SPECIAL ORDER

NO. 1455

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SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE STAKEHOLDERS' REVIEW, CONSULTATION, AND ASSESSMENT OF THE REGULATIONS ON FISH AGGREGATING DEVICE (FAD)

In the interest of the service, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), is hereby authorized to conduct and attend the **Stakeholders' Review, Consultation, and Assessment of the Regulations on Fish Aggregating Devices (FAD)** in Subic, Zambales (West Philippine Sea Cluster) and in Infanta, Quezon (Northern Pacific Seaboard Cluster), on 19 December 2023, and 21 December 2023, respectively.

The objectives of the proposed activity are: a.) to review the implementation Fisheries Administrative Orders (FAOs) related to fishing activities using FADs, especially FAO Nos. 244 and 258; b.) present and discuss the pressing issues on the implementation of FAOs; c.) solicit views, comments and recommendations from the stakeholders on the improvement/enhancement of policies and guidelines on the implementation of FADs.

In line with this, the following are hereby authorized to attend the workshop:

Agency/Sector	Number of Participant(s)		Role/Responsibility
	West Philippine Sea Cluster (Regions 1, 3 and MIMAROPA)	Northern Pacific Seaboard Cluster (Regions 2, 3 and 5)	
1. Municipal fisherfolk sector representative	12 (4 per region)	12 (4 per region)	Provide fishing operational information, inputs views, comments, and suggestions/ recommendations on the implementation of the current regulations on FADs.
2. Commercial fisherfolk sector representative	12 (4 per region)	12 (4 per region)	

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	West Philippine Sea Cluster (Regions 1, 3 and MIMAROPA)	Northern Pacific Seaboard Cluster (Regions 2, 3 and 5)	
3. Concerned Local Government Unit (LGU) Representative	9 (3 per region)	9 (3 per region)	Present data information on payao deployment and fishing operations in their respective regions/jurisdictions.
4. BFAR-RFO Licensing Officer and Capture Fisheries Focal Persons	6 (2 personnel per RFO)	6 (2 personnel per RFO)	
5. BFAR Central Office Personnel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CFD ▪ FRLD ▪ FRMD ▪ FPED 	11	11	Resource Persons, Secretariat/Convenor
Total	50	50	

Expenses on the conduct of the activity such as food, venue, accommodation, supplies and materials and other incidental expenses shall be chargeable against BFAR-Central Office funds, while all travelling expenses of the participants shall be chargeable against respective BFAR-Regional Offices fund, subject to availability of funds and the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 30th day of NOVEMBER 2023

FRANCISCO TIU LAUREL, JR.
Secretary



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