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## SPECIAL ORDER

No. 02

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**SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF U-NICHOLS A. MANALO AS NATIONAL RICE PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

In the exigency of service and in view of the designation of Undersecretary Leocadio S. Sebastian, Ph. D., CESO I, as a Member of the Secretary's Technical Advisory Group (STAG), **U-NICHOLS A. MANALO**, Director IV and OIC-Director of the Field Operations Service (FOS) and National Corn Program Director, is hereby designated as **NATIONAL RICE PROGRAM DIRECTOR in concurrent capacity**.

As such, he shall perform the functions, duties and responsibilities inherent to the designation and such others as directed by the Secretary.

He is entitled to travelling expenses, per diems, and incidental expenses in the performance of his functions, duties and responsibilities in view of the designation, chargeable against the National Rice Program funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

All officials and employees of the Department, including its Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Corporations, and DA-Regional Field Offices are hereby advised of this designation and directed to give their full support and cooperation to Director Manalo in the performance of his duties and responsibilities.

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

Done this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of JANUARY 2024.

**FRANCISCO P. TIU-LAUREL JR.**  
Secretary



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