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**SPECIAL ORDER**

NO. 572

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**SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE REGIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE CONGRESS**

In the interest of service, the Department of Agriculture—Regional Field Office MIMAROPA is hereby authorized to conduct the Regional Organic Agriculture Congress (ROAC) in the province of Marinduque on April 16-18, 2024. This activity serve as a key strategy to promote the Organic Agriculture Program (OAP) as mandated in RA 10068, known as the "Organic Agriculture Act of 2010," as amended into RA 11511. This initiative is a collaborative effort between the OAP under the Field Operation Division and the Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Division (AMAD).

The ROAC will lecture a Stakeholders' Consultation on proposed resolutions, innovations in Organic Agriculture technologies and updates from the DA-OA concern attached agencies. Furthermore, it aims to recognize successful OA stories and showcase the best organic products for each province during the event. Likewise, this congress will serve as a platform to strengthen collaboration among all OA stakeholders for the advancement of the OA industry in the region.

The following are hereby authorized to participate in the activity:


OFFICE/AGENCY	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
<b>1. Office of the Secretary</b>	3
<b>2. Office of the Regional Executive Director</b>	2
<b>3. Regional Technical Director</b>	1
<b>4. Field Operations Division</b>	1
<b>5. Organic Agriculture Program</b>	12
<b>6. Regional Agriculture and Fisheries Section (RAFIS)</b>	8
<b>7. Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Division (AMAD)</b>	5
<b>8. National Organic Agriculture Board/National Organic Agriculture Program</b>	8
<b>9. Agricultural Program Coordinating Office</b>	3
<b>10. Agricultural Training Institute</b>	1
<b>11. Oriental Mindoro Delegates</b>	
OA Practitioners	
Mina de Oro Participatory Guarantee System (PGS)	18
Provincial/Municipal OA Focal Person	2
AEW	6
<b>12. Occidental Mindoro Delegates</b>	
OA Practitioners	
Mindoro Samahan ng Organikong Magsasaka ng Kanlurang	9
Organico Mindoreños Magsaysay Chapter (OMMC)	10
Provincial/Municipal OA Focal Person	2

AEW	6
<b>13. Marinduque Delegates</b>	
OA Practitioners	
Sta. Cruz Organic Agriculture PGS	16
Boac Altogether Conquer and Thrive PGS	16
Provincial/Municipal OA Focal Person	4
AEW	6
<b>14. Romblon Delegates</b>	
OA Practitioners	
Romblon PGS	13
Provincial/Municipal OA Focal Person	2
AEW	3
<b>15. Palawan Delegates</b>	
OA Practitioners	
Aborlan PGS	4
Palawan Organic Farmers Association (POFA) PGS	4
Provincial/Municipal OA Focal Person	5
AEW	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>175</b>

The expenses to be incurred in the conduct of Regional Organic Agriculture Congress such as venue and food shall be chargeable against Organic Agriculture Program funds, while travelling expenses and per diem of participants shall be chargeable against the funds of their respective offices, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 22nd day of April 2024.

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

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