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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 711
 Series of 2024

SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE YOUNG FARMERS CHALLENGE (YFC) PROGRAM KICK-OFF, NATIONAL AWARDING CEREMONY 2023, AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

In the exigency of service and pursuant to the implementation of the Young Farmers Challenge Program, the Department of Agriculture – Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (DA-AMAS) is hereby authorized to conduct the **YFC Program Kick-Off, National Awarding Ceremony 2023, and Business Development Services** on **June 4-8, 2024** at the **Rice Crop Biotechnology Center, PhilRice, Muñoz, Nueva Ecija**.

As such, the following are authorized number of participants:

PARTICIPANTS	EXPECTED NO.
YFC Start-Up and Upscale National Finalists (Regions I-XIII and CAR)	58
YFC Regional Awardees (Regions I-XIII and CAR)	79
YFC Provincial Awardees (Regions I, II, III, IV-A,V, and CAR)	104
Local Chief Executives with YFC National Finalists (46 Mayors and 33 Governors with 2 companion each)	237
Office of Sen Imee R. Marcos	15
National Judges and Coaches	13
State Universities and Colleges (University President or Faculty and 2 YFC student awardee)	42
Association of College of Agriculture of the Philippines (ACAP) Officers	16
Media Personnel	40


4H Club National Officers	10
Regional Executive Directors (REDs)	15
DA Officials	10
YFC National and Regional Coordination and Management Team	43
Support Staff (PhilRice, PCC, Philmech, BFAR)	20
Cultural Performers	30
Security Personnel	25
PhilRice	5
Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization (PhilMech)	5
Philippine Carabao Center	5
Central Luzon State University	5
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The participants are entitled to travelling expenses and per diems chargeable against the funds of their respective offices. All expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the activity including food, venue, accommodation, rental of equipment, sounds & lights, service vehicles/transportation expenses, supplies and materials, and other incidental expenses, are chargeable against the Young Farmers Challenge, PhilRice, PCC, BFAR, DA-RFO III Funds, and PhilMech Funds, subject to fund availability and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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

Done this 17th day of May 2024.

For and By the Authority of the Secretary


ALLAN Q. UMALI
 Undersecretary for Administration
 (as per Special Order No. 618, Series of 2024)



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