



NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD

Resolution No. 009
Series of 2022

APPROVING THE THRUST AND PRIORITIES OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PROGRAM FOR CY 2023 FOR PLANNING AND BUDGET PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the objective is to provide guidance to the Operating Units (OUs) of National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP) in the formulation of their F.Y. 2023 plans, activities, programs (P/A/Ps) and corresponding budget proposals;

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WHEREAS, the NOAB determined that its Thrust and Priorities for FY 2023 are as follows:

A. Regional Field Offices (RFOs)

1. The main objective of the Program is to expand the **certified organic areas** and consequently, the volume of organic produce. Primarily, this will be done through **PGS Certification**, prioritizing initial list of OA awardees, thus, the need to support the PGS, specifically through:

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- a. Capability Building: PGS-OCB Accreditation, and Preparation of Manuals of Operation;
 - b. Incentives for PGS-OCBs Certification Activities; and
 - c. Enterprise Development Support including (1) Preparation of Business Plans, (2) Manual of Operations, and (3) Financial Systems, (4) Marketing and (5) Socialized Credit.
2. All interventions provided by the Program should be awarded to Group beneficiaries. It will be beneficial to organic practitioners to have a common area as a source of organic intervention requirements.
 3. The budget must be derived from the proposals of provinces and other LGUs, which should be consistent with the provisions of the Local Government Code, priority organic agriculture commodities, and priorities of PGS groups and other organic agriculture stakeholders.
 4. The RFO interventions under Production Support Services (PSS) should prioritize the requirements of the DA Stations derived from their proposals as guided with the PAPs below. However, fertilizers and bio-control agents should be produced not procured.
 - a. African Night Crawler
 - b. Molasses
 - c. Seeds and Planting Materials
 - d. Animals
 - e. Farm supplies
 - f. Fertilizer Facilities
 - g. Bio-con Laboratories
 - h. Other DA Facilities
 5. The RFO interventions under ESETS should be expanded. Activities which are not provided by ATI and TESDA shall be prioritized. The following activities are priorities under ESETS:
 - a. Assistance in the Preparation of Business Plans, Manual of Operations, and Financial Systems;
 - b. Mentoring of OA Hub Operators
 - c. Demonstration Farms
 - d. Farmers Field School (FFS)
 - e. Conduct of ROAC
 - f. Incentives for PGS-OCBs
 - g. Attendance to NOAC
 - h. Documentation of Success Stories
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 - j. Meetings / Consultation (Seedbank, PGS, OA hub)
 6. The provision of technical training may be coursed through the accredited organic learning sites, accredited Extension Service Providers for Organic Agriculture and TESDA whenever practicable.



7. Advocacy activities such as the Advertisements, Radio Plugs, and IEC Materials are to be reviewed and approved by the NOAB. All targets should be aligned with the strategic communication plan approved by the NOAB.
8. RFO interventions under PAEF should prioritize the distribution of shredders as these are essential in the production of organic fertilizers and soil ameliorants. OA Hub Operators should be encouraged to acquire accreditation as PGS-OCB. Funds under PAEF may also be spent on the following:
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9. Support for Irrigation Network Services (INS) shall continue to supply irrigation water for growing of organic crops. The following may be proposed under INS:
 - a. Pump and Engines
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10. The Market Development Services (MDS) shall strategize and develop new market segments for products that are currently produced and commercialized by organic agriculture farmers and Farmers Cooperative and Associations (FCAs). In addition to logistics and post harvest support, the following may be supported under MDS:
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12. Relative to the Implementation of the Devolution Transition Plan, the incentives intended for the Agriculture Extension Workers (AEWs) shall be discontinued.

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3. Other Programs, Activities or Projects that the Institute may take are the following:
 1. School on the Air;
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1. The major role of the BSWM is to procure and establish Composting Facility for Biodegradable Waste (CFBW) and Small Scale Composting Facilities (SSCF) to recipients identified by RFOs.
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3. Conduct regular monitoring of soil and water health and quality condition including chemical and microbial contaminants.

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1. The Bureau is responsible for the provision of technical assistance to LGUs and FCAs for the establishment of organic seedbanks and monitor such once established.
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NOW, THEREFORE, considering the foregoing, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA 10068, as amended, has **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, Approving the Thrusts and Priorities of the National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP) for CY 2023;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to all OA Operating Units (OUs) and the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture for its reference and information.

APPROVED by majority of the following Members of the NOAB present in a regular/special meeting held on JANUARY 28, 2022, in Quezon City, NCR, Philippines.

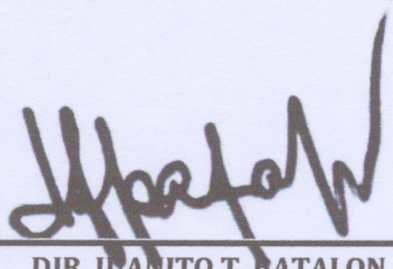
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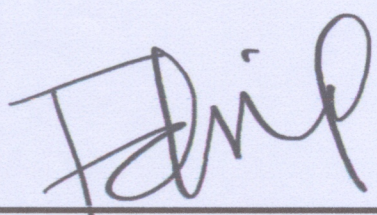


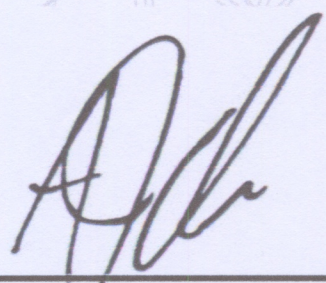
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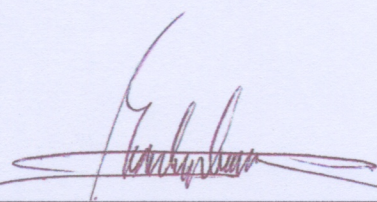
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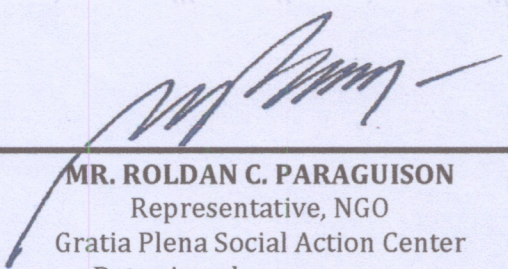

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