



Republic of the Philippines  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

Elliptical Road, Diliman  
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**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 634

Series of 2021

**SUBJECT : AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND ATTEND THE SERIES OF REGIONAL CLUSTER-WIDE TRAINING ON CERTIFICATION OF CORE PARTICIPATORY GUARANTEE SYSTEM (PGS) GROUPS AND ACCREDITATION OF ORGANIC CERTIFYING BODIES (OCBs)**

In the interest of service and pursuant to Sections 13 (Accreditation of Organic Certifying Bodies) and 14 (Participatory Guarantee System) of the Republic Act No. 10068, as amended by RA 11511 otherwise known as the "Amendment to Organic Agriculture Act of 2010", particularly for the accreditation of organic certifying bodies (OCBs) including core Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) groups, the Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) and the identified DA Regional Field Offices (DA-RFOs) are hereby authorized to conduct series of regional cluster-wide training on certification of core PGS groups and accreditation of OCBs from September to November 2021 in the following regions:

<b>Regional Cluster</b>	<b>Participating Regions and Agencies</b>	<b>Venue</b>
North Luzon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● DA Regional Field Offices (DA-RFOs): Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), I, II, and III</li><li>● Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) Regional Offices - CAR, I, II, and III</li></ul>	Region II/Region III
South Luzon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● DA RFOs: IV-A, IV-B, and V</li><li>● BFAR Regional Offices: IV-A, IV-B, and V</li><li>● Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)</li><li>● BFAR Central Office</li></ul>	Region 4A
Visayas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● DA RFOs: VI, VII, and VIII</li><li>● BFAR Regional Offices: VI, VII, and VIII</li><li>● Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI)</li></ul>	Region VII
Northern Mindanao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● DA RFOs: IX, X, and XIII</li><li>● BFAR Regional Offices: IX, X, and XIII</li><li>● Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA)</li></ul>	Region X/Region XIII
Southern Mindanao	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● DA RFOs: XI and XII</li><li>● BFAR Regional Offices: XI and XII</li><li>● MAFAR BARM</li><li>● Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA)</li></ul>	Region XI/ Region XII

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Likewise, personnel from the Regulatory Division of DA-RFOs, BFAR Central and Regional Offices, and concerned DA Regulatory Agencies (BAI, BPI, PCA, SRA) are authorized to participate in the said activities, to wit:

<b>Regional Cluster</b>	<b>Office/Agency</b>	<b>Participant</b>
North Luzon	DA CAR	Mr. Ruben Dulagan Mr. Landes Teofilo Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO I	Dr. Annie Bares Ms. Mary Joyce Aglibao Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO II	Ms. Rosemarie Martin Dr. Manuel Galang Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO III	Dr. Xandre Baccay Ms. Marilyn Velarde/Ms. Ma. Corazon Aquino Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	BFAR Regional Offices (CAR, I, II, and III)	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel each regional office
South Luzon	DA RFO IV-A	Dr. Linda Lucela Mr. Jun Villarante Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO IV-B	Ms. Helen Aceret Mr. Michael Graciano Iledan Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO V	Ms. Rosita Imperial Ms. Helen Jovillano Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	BFAR Regional Offices (IV-A, IV-B, and V)	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel each regional office
	BAI	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel
	BFAR Central Office	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel
Visayas	DA RFO VI	Dr. Jonic Natividad Ms. Virginia Layson Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO VII	Dr. Raul Migrino Ms. Mae Montecillo/Mr. Daniel Ventura Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO VIII	Ms. Veronica Berenguer Ms. Marilyn Ritaga Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	BFAR Regional Offices (VI, VII, and VIII)	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel each regional office
	BPI	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel

Northern Mindanao	DA RFO IX	Dr. Victorino Guillermo Ms. Janice Legaspi Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO X	Mr. Audy Maagad Mr. Eduardo Pit Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO XIII	Mr. Johny Concon Dr. Marie Jocelyn Santiago Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	BFAR Regional Offices (IX, X, and XIII)	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel each regional office
	PCA	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel
Southern Mindanao	DA RFO XI	Mr. Martinet Roble Ms. Erma Mausia Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	DA RFO XII	Dr. John Pascual Dr. Neil Doton Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	BFAR Regional Offices (XI and XII)	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel each regional office
	MAFAR BARM	Three (3) Regulatory Personnel
	SRA	Two (2) Regulatory Personnel

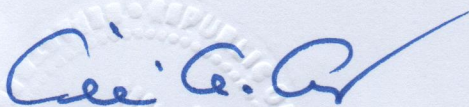
The following personnel of the BAFS shall facilitate and serve as resource persons during the conduct of the above-cited activities:

No.	Name of Personnel	Designation/Position
1	Dr. Myer G. Mula	Director
2	Ms. Mary Grace R. Mandigma	Assistant Director
3	Ms. Joeve S. Calleja	Chief Science Research Specialist
4	Mr. Vicente D. Limsan, Jr.	Science Research Specialist II
5	Ms. Geeza June V. Painaga	Science Research Specialist II
6	Mr. Jeffrey S. Garrido	Science Research Specialist II
7	Mr. Jerson Raphael A. Bontogon	Science Research Specialist I
8	Ms. Moraine M. Sumague	Science Research Specialist I
9	Mr. Jay El E. Bautista	Project Assistant IV
10	Mr. John Lawrence A. Arrogante	Science Research Specialist I
11	Ms. Clarisse Jill R. Guevarra	Science Research Specialist I

All expenses to be incurred in the conduct and participation to the above-cited activities shall be authorized chargeable against the DA-BAFS Regular Funds and the respective funds of the DA-RFOs and regulatory agencies, subject to the availability of funds and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain enforced unless earlier revoked in writing. All Orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 27th of August 2021.



**WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.**

Secretary

