



**NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD**  
**Resolution No. 18**  
**Series of 2019**

**RECOMMENDING THE NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PROGRAM – NATIONAL PROGRAM COORDINATING OFFICE TO EXPLORE THE ADAPTABILITY OF THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ENABLED MATURITY ASSESSMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, Section No. 05 of Republic Act No. 10068 otherwise known as the “Organic Agriculture Act of 2010” established the National Organic Agriculture Program (Program);

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Board as the policy-making body mandated under Section 6 of RA 10068 to provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the NOAP;

**WHEREAS**, one of the FY 2019 priority agenda of the Board is to address the approved and adopted the 15<sup>th</sup> National Organic Agriculture Congress (NOAC) plenary resolutions such as the resolution recommending that shopping list of interventions will come first from the lowest level/farmer;

**WHEREAS**, the NOAP National Program Coordinating Office (NOAP NPCO) as the designated oversight office responsible for ensuring a harmonized and successful implementation of the Program implements a three-year strategic scheme for the provision of interventions;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) utilizes a tool for profiling and assessing the maturity levels of assisted agrarian reform beneficiaries’ organizations (ARBOs) known as Information Technology-enabled Maturity Assessment (ITeMA) that generates comprehensive and updated information and report to ensure the provision of appropriate interventions or assistance to the target beneficiaries;

**WHEREAS**, the NOAB recognizes the alignment of the objectives and scheme of the ITeMA of the DAR with one of the implementation strategies of the Program which is to adopt and strengthen a sound database management at the national and regional to generate information that would serve as basis for a well-informed decision-making,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, considering the foregoing, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA 10068, has resolved, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to recommend the National Organic Agriculture Program – National Program Coordinating Office to explore

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the adaptability of the Information Technology Enabled Maturity Assessment of the Department of Agrarian Reform in the implementation of the National Organic Agriculture Program.

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that the Secretary of Agriculture, all members of the NOAB, and the Program Coordinator of the National Organic Agriculture Program-National Program Coordinating Office be furnished with copies of this resolution for guidance and appropriate action.

**APPROVED** by the following Members of the Board on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019 in Makati City:

  
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