



**NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD**  
**Resolution No. 01**  
**Series of 2020**

**ADOPTING THE 16<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE CONGRESS (NOAC) PLENARY RESOLUTIONS**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Board is the policy-making body mandated under Section 6 of RA No. 10068 to provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the Program;

**WHEREAS**, the conduct of the National Organic Agriculture Congress is one of the activities that will help improve and carry on the Program;

**WHEREAS**, during the 16<sup>th</sup> NOAC held on November 12-14, 2019 at Camp Benjamin, Alfonso, Cavite, organic stakeholders came up with forty-one (41) resolutions to further develop and promote the Program.

**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 adopt the 16<sup>th</sup> NOAC Plenary Resolution (ANNEX) for further discussion.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, that the Secretary of Agriculture and heads of the identified stakeholders/agencies be furnished with copies of this resolution, for reference and appropriate action.

**APPROVED** by the following Members of the NOAB on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020:

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**ANNEX**

No.	Sponsor Region	Resolution/s
1.	2	A Resolution earnestly requesting the Honorable Secretary William D. Dar through the Regional Executive Director Narciso A. Edillo to extend the Organic Certification Financial Assistance to Farmers and Farmers Group from three (3) Years to Five (5) Years
2.	4A	A Resolution requesting to fast-track the amendment of Republic Act No. 10068 otherwise known as the "Organic Agriculture Act of 2010" to recognize Participatory Guarantee Systems (PGS)
3.	4A	A Resolution banning or removing of the use and importing of synthetic products and chemicals to focus solely on organic and natural farming
4.	4A	A Resolution requesting the LGUs to lend funds to Accredited Sanggunian Organic Clusters and Federations for organic agriculture production
5.	4B	A Resolution sincerely requesting the Department of Agriculture (DA) and Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) to issue a Joint Memorandum Circular directing all Local Government Units (LGU) to institutionalize in their agricultural development program the preservation and conservation of traditional and indigenous seeds and varieties of crops
6.	4B	A Resolution requesting the NOAB and all Concerned Agencies to clarify into the provisions of RA 10068, Section 26, stating the penal provision and assign Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) in implementing the sanctions provided by the law to non-abiding citizens
7.	4B	A Resolution earnestly requesting the Department of Agriculture Secretary William Dar through the National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP) to have a 10% annual increase the budgetary allotment for Organic Agriculture Program for the next 5 years in every region in full support to the implementation of RA 10068



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8.	4B	A Resolution supporting the immediate implementation of DILG Memorandum No. 2019-129 to all LGU regarding the promotion of organic gardens in the local government units especially at the barangay level
9.	6	A Resolution requesting the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB) to issue a resolution requesting the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) to issue a sugar order specifically for certified organic sugar to allow the same to be sold in both the domestic and the foreign market and to further request SRA to prepare an organic sugarcane road map
10.	6	A Resolution extending the number of days of Regional Organic Agriculture Congresses from two (2) days to three (3) days and allocate fund thereof
11.	6	A Resolution requesting for the inclusion of Arsenic in the laboratory testing of products for third party organic certification
12.	7	A Resolution requesting to extend incentives, free water testing laboratory fee and pesticide residue analysis to Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) Certified Farms
13.	7/11	A Resolution recommending the establishment of organic seed banking per province through bureau of plant and industry, recognizing and supporting the small farmers' seed system in seed banking, breeding and exchanging of seeds in the community, and urging the NOAB and DILG to issue a memorandum circular to all Barangays where to allocate Mandatory Fund for Organic Agriculture Programs/Project and conserve and promote endemic cultivars by establishing gene or seed bank.
14.	9	A Resolution requesting the ACPC to provide financial assistance for organic agriculture input production
15.	9	A Resolution recommending the synchronization of plans and programs of all agencies concerned relative to organic agriculture



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16.	10	A Resolution requesting the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to release a Memorandum/Order as to where the LGUs get the 5% allocation for their Organic Agriculture Program from their annual budget
17.	10	A Resolution prohibiting the field trial, processing and sale of golden rice and other GMO crops in the country
18.	11	A Resolution requesting the urgency in the implementation of the general rules and guidelines through the Department of Agriculture (DA) and Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) requiring all Agri-Plantations to allocate buffer zones in their farm areas
19.	11	A Resolution requesting the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the Department of Education to serve organic food during Organic Agriculture Activities like trainings, conferences, congresses, summits, and feeding programs, and sell organic food in schools and government canteens
20.	11	A Resolution urging the NOAB and DILG to issue memorandum circular to utilize Corporate Social Fund (CSF) of Industrial Companies and Banana Plantations for Environmental Rehabilitation Programs and the establishment of a Plant Tissue Analysis on Chemical Plant or fruit residues and organic inputs
21.	11	A Resolution requesting for the provision of incentives to Provincial/City/Municipal Veterinarian who serves as focal person and extension worker for organic agriculture
22.	11	A Resolution requesting the NOAB and National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP) to reproduce and publish a Compendium of Best Organic Practices to be disseminated throughout the country.
23.	12	A Resolution requesting the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and the Department of Information and Communication Technology (DICT) to develop and maintain an online market trading platform for organic producers and buyers



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24.	12	A Resolution requesting the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Mindanao Development Authority (MINDA) to provide actionable information on market demand for organic products from national and international markets
25.	13/8	A Resolution recommending the inclusion of Organic Rice Seeds, Heirloom or Native Palay Seeds as part of the Seed Component under Rice Tariffication Law
26.	13	A Resolution requesting all DA Bureaus, Attached Agencies, and the National Irrigation Authority (NIA) to refocus their support to organic agriculture as one of their priorities to help alleviate the life of organic farmers
<b>Approved Resolutions submitted during the Plenary Resolution Making</b>		
27.	4B	A Resolution reiterating the call to the LGUs to immediately implement the DA-DILG JMC No. 1 Series of 2018 stating the revised roles of provincial/city/municipal governments as mandated in Section 14 of RA 10068 and through the DBM to immediately issue a Memorandum Order addressed to the LGUs to implement Article 3 of the JMC stating that every LGU must allocate at least 5% of their annual budget to support the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the NOAP according to the annual investment plan.
28.	4B	A Resolution fully supporting the implementation of DILG Memorandum Series of 2019 directing all local chief executives to become members of LOAMCP-PH
29.	4B	A Resolution requesting the NOAP to craft a National Campaign Project for Consumer Awareness and to direct all DA RFOs to craft the DA plan for consumer awareness campaign, providing fund thereof to all provinces in every region to support local organic market development
30.	4B/ LOAMCP-PH	A Resolution requesting the NOAB to issue an urgent request to the DA to appoint/designate an Undersecretary for Organic Agriculture who will perform duties for the implementation of the NOAP
31.	5	A resolution requesting the DA, DepEd, CHED and SUCs to prepare unified teaching materials and syllabus for organic agriculture



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32.	5	A Resolution requiring the DA to institutionalize the creation of local farmer technicians as reinforcement of LGU-based AEWs in development and promotion of organic agriculture
33.	8	A Resolution requesting that the conduct of the Regional Organic Agriculture Congresses be under the Regional Organic Agriculture Program Office and be funded under the National Organic Agriculture Program
34.	8	A Resolution requesting to have a separate Training Regulation or National Competency for Organic Rice Production and Organic Seed Production
35.	8	A Resolution requesting the NOAB to make a policy requiring chemical companies to be in charge of the proper disposal of containers and bottles used for their own products
36.	8	A Resolution requesting for various incentives similar to senior citizen discounts to be provided to organic farmers
37.	8	A Resolution to provide financial incentives and support to farmer scientists, and developers of organic agriculture technologies
38.	9	A Resolution requesting the LGUs to allow organic agriculture focal persons with very satisfactory performance ratings to serve a minimum of three years of service to ensure continuity of the implementation of the NOAP
39.	12	A Resolution requesting Philippine Coconut Authority to accelerate transfer of technology for village level virgin coconut oil processing
40.	11	A Resolution recommending for the amendment of the PNS OA regarding the use of caustic soda and mine salt.
41.	7	A resolution recommending that the NOAC be conducted once every two years and Island-wide Organic Agriculture Congresses be conducted in the years between the NOAC