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DAR MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. OS

TO

All DAR Regional Directors

All Provincial Agrarian Reform Officers All Municipal Agrarian Reform Officers

All Other DAR Officials and Employees Concerned

SUBJECT:

Creation of DAR-NAPC-FLRW Task Force to Fast Track

Completion of LTI and Facilitate Delivery of Support Services

to ARBs

Section 1. Prefatory Statement:

The DAR- FLRW - NAPC Task Force Fast Track (TFFT) is hereby created conformably with the Covenant signed by and between the Department of Agrarian Reform and the National Anti-Poverty Commission- Farmers and Landless Rural Workers Sector (NAPC-FLRW) on February 4, 2013 for the two agencies to become active partners in fast tracking land acquisition and distribution and delivery of support services, facilitating data and information sharing on agrarian reform implementation, and ensuring continuity of dialogues in order to arrive at concrete and clear guidelines for this partnership.

Also in similar vein, a network of civil society group has signified the importance of developing inclusive civil society engagement with DAR to fast track CARPER LAD, LTI and Support Services to 2014 and beyond. This network of civil society group has expressed interest to assist the DAR in realizing both the goals of CARPER and the consummation of LAD and support services.

Section 2. Composition of the National and Provincial Task Forces

A. The National DAR-FLRW-NAPC Task Force Fast Track (NTFFT) is accordingly hereby established to implement the Fast Track CARPER (FTC). The NTFFT will be composed of the following:

Chairperson
DAR Undersecretary for Field Operations

Vice-Chairperson



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DAR Undersecretary for Support Services or designated representative NAPC Sectoral Representative

Members:

DAR Undersecretary for Legal Affairs or designated representative DAR Field Operations Liaison Officer for Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao Two (2) representatives from NAPC-FLRW Committee on Asset Reform and Sustainable Agriculture

National TFFT Technical Working Group (NTWG)

Members:

DAR Special Concerns Staff (SCS) Director
DAR Field Operations Office designated representative
DAR Support Services Office designated representative
Bureau of Agrarian Legal Assistance designated representative
Two (2) representatives from NAPC-Asset Reform Committee
Two (2) representatives from NAPC-Sustainable Agriculture and Rural
Development
One (1) NAPC-FLRW Representative each for Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao

National TFFT Secretariat (NTS)

The National TFFT Secretariat (NTS) shall be formed to provide technical assistance to both the TWG and the TFFT.

Members

DAR SCS Staff
DAR FOO Staff
NAPC-FLRW Asset Reform Committee

B. Provincial TFFT

Chairperson
DAR Provincial Agrarian Reform Officer





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Members

DAR CARPO for Operations

DAR CARPO for Support Services (BDCD)

DAR Chief of Legal Division

FLRW-NAPC Representative

Two (2) representatives from NAPC-FLRW Asset Reform Committee

Two (2) representatives from NAPC-FLRW Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development Committee

Provincial DAR-NAPC-FLRW Secretariat

The Provincial TFFT Secretariat shall likewise be formed to provide technical assistance to both the Provincial TFFT, NTWG, and the TFFT.

Members

Provincial Quick Reaction Officer

FLWR-NAPC Representative:

One (1) from NAPC-FLRW Council

One (1) from NGO designated by NAPC-FLRWS-Asset Reform

Section 3. Functions of the TFFTs

A. National TFFT

It shall be the duty and obligation of the National TFFT to:

- 1. Agree on the specific provinces that will be the areas of the partnership;
- 2. Agree on the nature of LTI and support services activities that can be the subject of the said partnership;
- 3. Define the possible forms of engagement and the Terms of Reference (TOR) that can be adopted at the provincial level;
- 4. Regularly assess the progress of CARP implementation nationwide and in the specific provinces covered by the engagement, and recommend actions that can be undertaken under the DAR-NAPC FLWR partnership to further contribute to the acceleration of CARP implementation;
- 5. Review reports and evaluate recommendations of the NTWG regarding the resolution of problems encountered or proposed measures to improve implementation of the engagement at the provincial level;

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- Formulate measures or strategies to resolve issues/problems or to introduce interventions to help improve and accelerate CARP implementation; and
- 7. Perform such other functions as may be necessary for the achievement of the foregoing objectives.

The National TFFT shall also submit quarterly reports on the foregoing to the DAR Secretary and the NAPC-FLRW Council.

B. National Technical Working Group (NTWG)

The NTWG shall render overall assistance to the NTTFT. Specifically, it shall perform the following functions:

- 1. Conduct a regular assessment and evaluation of the overall progress of the partnership, specifically on the implementation of the Terms of Reference therefor:
- 2. Recommend policies, strategies, or interventions to the NTTFT based on the results of said assessment and evaluation;
- 3. Review the reports of the PTTFTs;
- 4. Facilitate the exchange of data or information between DAR and the NAPC-FLRW and the aforementioned national and provincial task forces; and
- 5. Strengthen coordination work with the said national and provincial task forces.

C. Provincial TFFT

It shall be the duty and responsibility of the PTTFTs to:

- 1. Conduct a regular assessment of the progress of CARP implementation in the province concerned and recommend courses of actions that can be undertaken under the DAR- FLWR NAPC partnership to further contribute to the acceleration of CARP implementation;
- 2. Monitor compliance with the Terms of Reference governing the partnership;
- 3. Conduct planning activities with PAROs concerned;
- 4. Conduct other activities jointly identified in the action plan prepared by the Provincial TFFT;
- 5. Ensure the proper implementation of the strategies or specific measures agreed upon during planning and assessment activities; and





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6. Submit monthly reports to the NTFFT Secretariat which in turn will submit to NTFFT.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

Diliman, Quezon City, at February, 2013.

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Secretary

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