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SPECIAL ORDER No. <u>8/3</u> Series of 2024

SUBJECT: 13TH MEETING OF THE ASEAN SEAWEED INDUSTRY CLUB (ASIC) ON ASEAN COOPERATION IN AGRICULTURE AND FOREST PRODUCTS PROMOTION SCHEME ON JULY 16-18, 2024 IN PUERTO PRINCESA CITY, PALAWAN

In the exigency of service, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) is hereby authorized to conduct the 13th Meeting of the ASEAN Seaweed Industry Club (ASIC) on ASEAN Cooperation in Agriculture and Forest Products Promotion Scheme on July 16-18, 2024 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

The ASEAN will adopt joint efforts to strengthen trade promotion and negotiations on ASEAN agricultural products in order to enhance ASEAN's competitive posture, and to sustain the expansion of ASEAN agricultural exports in international markets; it shall foster cooperation and collective action in international and interregional fora as well as in international organizations and regional groupings; also it will continue to sustain relations with its dialogue partners and other producing/consuming countries towards the advancement of the commodity issues; and acknowledges that sub-regional arrangements among the Member States economies to complement overall ASEAN economic cooperation.

OFFICES	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
ASEAN Member States	10
Seaweed Industry Association of the Philippines (SIAP)	10
BFAR Director's Office	2
BFAR Regional/Provincial Office	5
BFAR EPSDP Office	5
DA-AMAS	2
DA-IAD	1
TOTAL	35

The authorized participants are from the following offices and agencies:

Expenses to be incurred in the conduct of this activity such as venue, food, accommodation and tokens shall be charged against the funds of the BFAR-EPSDP, while traveling expenses and per diems of the participants shall be charged against their respective offices, subject to the availability of funds and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations. The BFAR-EPSDP will serve as the organizer, coordinator and secretariat of the said activity.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall be considered revoked upon the completion of the activity. All orders, memoranda and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this $\frac{1}{2}$ day of $\frac{1}{2}$ 2024.

For and By the Authority of the Secretary

ALLAN Q. UMALI

Undersecretary for Administration (as per Special Order No. 618, Series of 2024) 16.1 04 31.9

