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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 824
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SUBJECT : CREATION OF TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR THE INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON INFLATION AND MARKET OUTLOOK (IAC-IMO), SUB-COMMITTEES ON FOOD AND NON-FOOD INFLATION (SCS FOOD AND NON-FOOD), AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP (EDG) CONCERNS

In exigency of service and pursuant to DA Special Order No. 564 s. 2024, the DA Technical Working Group on IAC, SCs Food and Non-Food, and EDG Concerns shall be created to provide support to the Secretary of Agriculture as a Member of the IAC-IMO, SCs Food and Non-Food, and EDG to attain its objectives.

The TWG shall be composed of officials/personnel from the following DA Operating Units, Attached Agencies and Corporations, Bureaus, and Banner Programs:

- Chairperson** : Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and Regulations
- Co-Chairperson** : Assistant Secretary for Consumer Affairs
- Vice-Chairperson** : Director, Policy Research Service
- Core Members** : Administrator, Philippine Coconut Authority
Administrator, Sugar Regulatory Administration
National Director, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
Director, Bureau of Plant Industry
Director, Bureau of Animal Industry
Director, Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Engineering
Director, Field Operations Service
Director, Planning and Monitoring Service
Director, Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service
Program Director, National Rice Program
Program Director, National Corn Program
Program Director, High-Value Crops Development Program
Program Director, National Livestock Program
- Auxiliary Members** : Administrator, National Food Authority
Administrator, National Dairy Authority
Administrator, National Irrigation Authority
Executive Director, Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority
Executive Director, National Meat Inspection Service
Executive Director, Philippine Rice Research Institute
Executive Director, Philippine Carabao Center
Executive Director, National Fisheries Research & Dev't Institute
Executive Director, Minimum Access Volume Secretariat
General Manager, Philippine Fisheries Dev't Authority
Director, Information and Communications Technology Service

Alternate Core

/ Auxiliary Members : Division Chiefs/Section Chiefs assigned by the Members

Secretariat : Policy Research Service (Head Secretariat and related concerns on policy development coordination)
Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (supply, demand, price data, and market information related concerns)
Planning and Monitoring Service (related concerns on planning development coordination and activities to ensure food supply)
Field Operation Service (production related concerns, and impact due to El Nino and La Nina, among others)
and at least one technical staff assigned by the Members

The TWG shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

1. Prepare and facilitate the collection and analysis of pertinent data in response to the requests and concerns of IAC-IMO, SCs Food and Non-Food, and EDG. These include, but are not limited to, data on the supply and demand of food security commodities, as well as farm, wholesale, and retail prices.
2. Provide data and information as basis of measures aimed at mitigating food inflation. These data are essential for updating the monitoring and food inflation dashboards outlined in Annex C of IAC-IMO Resolution No. 02, s. 2023.
3. Provide a monthly market outlook analysis on food security commodities to the Secretary in preparation for the meetings of the IAC-IMO, SCs Food and Non-Food, and EDG.
4. Develop position paper on the actions and inputs requested from the Department;
5. Conduct preparatory meetings prior to the meeting of IAC-IMO, SCs Food and Non-Food, and EDG and as necessary; and,
6. Perform other tasks as may be necessary.

The TWG Secretariat shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

1. Prepare and provide highlights of the meeting of the TWG;
2. Provide other technical and administrative support, as needed, relevant to the duties and responsibilities of the TWG.

The TWG shall report directly to the Secretary, or his official alternate, in connection with its functions herein and in relation to the requests and concerns of IAC-IMO, SCs Food and Non-Food, and EDG.

The TWG may invite resource persons from other member agencies and/or representatives from other DA operating units during its meetings as deemed necessary.

Supply and demand data for food security commodities

The harmonization and systematic collection, processing, production, and verification of the required supply and demand data for food security commodities, as outlined in Annex C of IAC-IMO Resolution No. 02, shall be managed/handled by the Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (AMAS). However, the Policy Research Service (PRS) shall continue to handle the strategic and timely distribution of the supply and demand data, periodically processed and verified by AMAS, to appropriate external government offices including the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), the Department of Finance (DOF), and the Office of the President (OP).



All agencies and offices within the DA and its regional field offices are hereby enjoined to provide the required data, cooperate with, and extend all the necessary support to the TWG in the performance of its duties and responsibilities.

All expenses to be incurred by TWG members in the performance of their duties and functions shall be chargeable against their respective offices, 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 in force until revoked in writing. Special Order No. 418, series of 2024 is hereby superseded and all orders, memoranda, and other issuances are hereby revoked.

Done this 7th day of JUNE 2024.


FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.
Secretary

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