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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 1731
 Series of 2024

SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND ATTEND THE “CONSULTATION AND WORKSHOP: CRAFTING OF ACTION PLAN AND ITS STRATEGIES TO BOOST SEAWEED PRODUCTION THROUGH BFAR AND SEAWEED FARMERS’ COOPERATIVES PARTNERSHIPS” ON NOVEMBER 18-22, 2024 IN PALAWAN

In the exigency of service, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) is hereby authorized to conduct the **“Consultation and Workshop: Crafting of Action Plan and its Strategies to Boost Seaweed Production through BFAR and Seaweed Farmers’ Cooperatives Partnerships” on November 18-22, 2024 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.** The objectives of the activity are to orient the participating cooperative leaders about the Enhanced Philippine Seaweeds Development Program; familiarize the participants on the Philippine Seaweed Industry Roadmap; orient the participants on the Clustering and Consolidation Strategy of the Department of Agriculture; identify areas of cooperation between EPSDP and the Cooperatives in enhancing seaweeds production and increasing farmers income; identify and overcome challenges to an effective BFAR-Cooperative Partnership in attaining seaweed value chain; develop a Cooperatives-driven Seaweed Work and Financial Plan and devise strategies to achieve it; and intensify organizing of more seaweed farmer cooperatives.

The authorized participants are from the following offices and agencies:

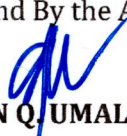
OFFICES	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
Office of the Secretary Staff	3
BFAR Central Office Staff	4
Seaweed Cooperative Chairperson	12
BFAR Regional Office Staff	18
BFAR-EPSDP Office Staff	5
Resource Persons	2
TOTAL	44

Expenses to be incurred in the conduct of this activity such as venue, food and accommodation shall be charged against the funds of the EPSDP while traveling expenses and per diem 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.

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 hereby deemed revoked.

Done this 13th day of November 2024.

“For and By the Authority of the Secretary”


ALLAN Q. UMALI
 Undersecretary for Administration
 (as per Special Order No. 618, Series of 2024)



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