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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 1844

Series of 2024

SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE TRAINING ON DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY, AND STABILITY (DUS) TEST OF FRUIT CROPS IN DAVAO CITY

In the interest of service, the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI), through the Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO), is hereby authorized to conduct **Training on Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability Test of Fruit Crops on December 10-12, 2024**, inclusive of travel dates, in Davao City.

The training aims to:

1. Equip participants with knowledge in Plant Variety Protection (PVP) or the Plant Breeder’s Rights;
2. Make the participants knowledgeable in the PVP process, the criteria for the grant of protection and other requirements;
3. Provide participants understanding of the existing species-specific DUS Test Guidelines;
4. Train participants on how to conduct morphological characterization of selected fruit crops using the existing descriptors of the PVP Office; and
5. Impart to the participants some basic techniques in plant specimen photography and documentation.

The participants of the training are as follows:


Sector/Agency/Office	Pax
PVP Fruits and Plantation Crops Examiners	
• Institute of Plant Breeding, CAFS-UPLB	3
• Bureau of Plant Industry - Guimaras	1
• Bureau of Plant Industry - Davao	2
• Cavite State University	1
• University of Southern Mindanao	1
National Seed Industry Council – Plant Variety Protection Office	3
Resource Person	2
TOTAL	13

Expenses to be incurred for the conduct of the activity such as travel expenses and per diem, venue/training facilities, meals, accommodation, training supplies, honorarium for the resource person and other incidental expenses shall be charged against PVP funds, subject to the existing government accounting and auditing regulations.

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

Done this 5th day of December 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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