



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
 Elliptical Road, Diliman 1100 Quezon City
 +63(2) 8928-8741 to 64 and +63(2) 8273-2474

SPECIAL ORDER

No. 154
 Series of 2025

SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING WORKSHOP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL RESIDUE CONTROL PROGRAM (NRCP) AND PREPARATION FOR THE REMOTE AUDIT ON RESIDUE BY THE EUROPEAN UNION (EU) DG SANTE

In the interest of service, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) is hereby authorized to conduct and attend the **Planning workshop on the Implementation of the National Residue Control Program (NRCP) and Preparation for the Remote Audit on Residue by the European Union (EU) DG SANTE** to be held in Quezon City on 12-14 February 2025.

The aims of the training are:

The general aim of this workshop is to ensure the effective implementation and alignment of the National Residue Control Program (NRCP) with EU food safety standards in preparation for the upcoming remote audit by EU DG SANTE.

The specific objectives are:

- to assess the current implementation status of the NRCP and address gaps to meet EU regulatory requirements;
- to prepare and align laboratory procedures and protocols with EU standards for monitoring residues, contaminants, and pesticides in aquaculture products; and
- to strengthen coordination and communication between Central and Regional Fisheries Laboratories for unified NRCP implementation.

The authorized participants will include the heads of the Regional Fisheries Laboratories (RFLs) and representatives from the BFAR Central Office. The following table provides the offices and the corresponding number of participants:

BFAR Central and Regional Offices	No. of Participants
NCR	1
CAR	1
Region 1	1
Region 2	1

Region 3	1
Region 4-A CALABARZON	1
Region 4-B MIMAROPA	1
Region 5	1
Region 6	1
Region 7	1
Region 8	1
Region 9	1
Region 10	1
Region 11	1
Region 12	1
Region 13	1
BARMM	1
Central Office	23

Expenses to be incurred for the activity such as payment for the training venue, accommodation and food shall be chargeable against the funds of BFAR Central Office while traveling expenses and per diem of participants shall be chargeable against the funds of their respective offices, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and 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 27th day of January, 2025.

For and By the Authority of the Secretary


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



DA-CO-AS-SO20250123-00017