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**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 248

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**SUBJECT : DESIGNATION OF MR. JOELL H. LALES AS OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE DA-BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH**

In the exigency of service and in view of the official foreign travel of Dr. Junel B. Soriano, Director to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on February 17 to 20, 2025 to participate in CABI Asia-Pacific Regional Consultation Meeting 2025, **MR. JOELL H. LALES**, Assistant Director, is hereby designated as **Officer-in-Charge of the DA-Bureau of Agricultural Research (BAR)**.

As such, Assistant Director Lales shall perform the functions, duties and responsibilities inherent to the designation and such others as directed by the undersigned in concurrent capacity with his regular functions, duties, and responsibilities.

As a matter of procedure, all documents requiring the action of the Officer-in-Charge shall be submitted and released through the DA-BAR Office of the Director (OD) for recording and tracking purposes.

This Order shall take effect on February 17, 2025 and shall be considered revoked upon the return of Director Soriano to office. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

**FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.**  
Secretary



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