

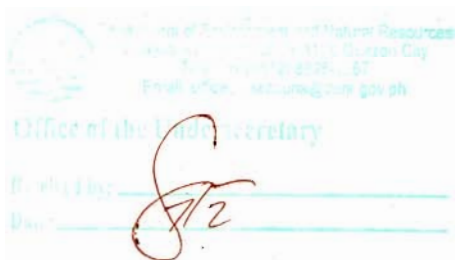


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User Mitch,

Referring to you this.

Thanks,

Jose

For consideration, please. Thank you.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : All Regional Executive Directors

FROM : The Undersecretary
Field Operations and Environment

SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR SEEDLINGS AND BAMBOO MATERIALS FOR THE CONDUCT OF NATIONAL TREE PLANTING AND NURTURING ACTIVITY DUBBED AS “ALAY NG KAPATIRAN SA INANG KALIKASAN” OF THE BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY

DATE : July 1, 2021

This pertains to the letter from Mr. Benjamin C. Albarece, President of Beta Sigma Fraternity Alumni Association, National Assembly, Inc. requesting provision of seedlings and bamboo materials for the conduct of National Tree Planting and Nurturing Activity dubbed as “Alay ng Kapatiran sa Inang Kalikasan” to commence the celebration of the 75th Diamond Anniversary of the Beta Sigma Fraternity on July 14, 2021.

Relative thereto, we are referring the request to your end for consideration and appropriate action. Kindly provide the requested planting materials and possible assistance to Mr. Albarece, subject to existing rules and regulations on the matter.

For your preferential attention, please.


ATTY. JUAN MIGUEL T. CUNA, *CESO I*



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June 28, 2021

Atty. Jonas R. Leones

Undersecretary

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Visayas Avenue, Quezon City



Subject : Proposed Nationwide Tree Planting/Nurturing Activity Guidelines

Dear Undersecretary Leones ,

The Beta Sigma Fraternity will be celebrating its 75th Founding Anniversary on July 14, 2021. In this Diamond Year celebration one of the main events is the Nationwide Tree Planting / Nurturing Activity "ALAY NG KAPATIRAN SA INANG KALIKASAN" which will be undertaken by all chapters and assemblies in support of the goals of the National Greening Program mandated under Executive Order 26 dated February 24, 2011 now amended under EO 193 dated Nov 12, 2015 extending the coverage up to 2028, now known as the Enhanced National Greening Program.

In this connection, we are submitting herewith our proposed "Notes Of Understanding" for the conduct of the above activity. Our target is to plant 75,000 trees all over the country including bamboo of different species. This will be kicked off on July 14, 2021 at the UP Arboretum. This our way of preserving our environment and contribute to the restoration of our natural resources.

For your approval. Para sa Inang Kalikasan, Salamat Po.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Albarece'.

BENJAMIN C. ALBARECE

President, Beta Sigma Fraternity Alumni Association

National Assembly, Inc.

UP DILIMAN, QUEZON CITY



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"ALAY NG KAPATIRAN SA INANG KALIKASAN"

(A Tree Planting/Nurturing Project of the Beta Sigma Fraternity in support to the National Greening Program)

NOTES OF UNDERSTANDING

- 1.0 **Background/Rationale.** The National Greening Program or NGP is a program to re-green the Philippines initiated by Executive Order 26 dated February 24, 2011. "Pangalagaan, Tahanan ng Ating Lahi" is a call to each and every Filipino to do his/her share to protect the environment, arrest poverty, and ensure sustainable growth. Now amended under EO 193 dated Nov 12, 2015 the Enhanced National Greening Program extends the coverage up to 2028.

It is in response to this call that the Beta Sigma Fraternity National Assembly undertook the tree planting/nurturing (growing then) activity dubbed as "Alay ng Kapatiran sa Inang Kalikasan" which was launched on July 14, 2012 and sustained until today or 9 years thereafter. **For this year, the activity is one of the many events that will mark a more significant and meaningful celebration of the 75th founding anniversary of the Beta Sigma Fraternity.**

2.0 **General Arrangements**

- 2.1 The "Alay ng Kapatiran sa Inang Kalikasan" will be a nationwide activity and will be simultaneously undertaken by the Assemblies on July 14, 2021;
- 2.2 It will be a National Assembly-led activity with the local Assemblies at the forefront encouraging to invite partners and participants from the LGUs, national government agencies, civil societies, civic organizations, schools, colleges and universities, etc.;



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2.3 Planting materials/seedlings will be provided by the DENR to the local Assemblies. Instructions to this effect will be issued by the DENR Central Office to the Regional and Provincial Offices. Thus, the local Assemblies will have to closely coordinate with the DENR Regional and Provincial Offices for the seedlings that they need.

3.0 **Local Arrangements.** The local Assemblies will do the following:

- 3.1 Ensure that the tree-planting/nurturing activity in a particular site is approved and supported by the concerned local government unit;
- 3.2 Identify the locations or sites for tree-planting. If available, the preferred sites are parks and roadsides. In doing this, closely and consistently coordinate with the PENRO or CENRO, and LGU.
- 3.3 Solicit the seedlings from the concerned DENR offices (could either be from the RO or PENRO or CENRO);
- 3.4 Prepare the site (dig the holes, other essential preparations) ahead of the planting schedule;
- 3.5 Organize a team or group of Brods or individuals who will be tasked to NURTURE (maintain and take care) the planted trees and the parks. Impress upon and demonstrate to the public that the Beta Sigma Fraternity is consciously caretaking and ensuring the full growth of the trees;
- 3.6 Publicize the activity through tarpaulins, streamers, and other ways of communication through media. In order to maintain a standard message, the design of the tarps and streamers will be prepared by the National Assembly and will be posted in all Beta Sigma social media conversation groups and may be downloaded to the local Assemblies.

4.0 **Sustaining the Gains.** Steps that engender continuing cooperation between the Beta Sigma Fraternity (BSF) and DENR ought to be put into place. In order to ensure sustainability of the Tree Planting/Nurturing activity in each and every year at least for the next five or ten years, the following operational and coordinative mechanisms shall



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- 6.0. **Essential Step.** The NGP prescribes registration of all groups wanting to participate in the program through two ways: via the internet www.denr.ngp.gov.ph or through the CENRO. For reasons of practicality and as a way of building collaborative relationship, it is advised that the Local Assemblies register with the CENROs.

Quezon City, Philippines

June 28, 2021

BENJAMIN C. ALBARECE
President
BSFAA-National Assembly

Atty. JONAS R. LEONES
Undersecretary
DENR



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be mutually pursued:

- 4.1 BSFAANA shall revisit the results or outcomes of the tree planting activities undertaken in previous years and establish an inventory (number, kind, location, etc.) of the trees thus far grown;
- 4.2 DENR shall train Beta Sigmans in nursery management and production of seedlings of different species (forest trees, fruit trees, bamboo, and other economic plants) to enable ready supply of a variety of seedlings in future years. Most ideally, a core team of trained Betans and a model seedlings nursery shall be established in each Assembly;
- 4.3 DENR shall accord priority to Beta Sigmans suitable Tenurial arrangements to acquire and maintain certain areas in forest lands and other public lands, and allow the BSF to utilize these lands for other compatible uses such as eco-agri tourism to ensure long term protection, preservation, and productivity of such public assets;
- 4.4 DENR shall allow BSF to harvest, and convert to wider beneficial use, the fruits of the grown trees, plants, or crops.

- 5.0 **Recording and Reporting.** Beginning this year, 2021, the BSFAA-National Assembly shall establish a Registry of Assemblies that participate or are involved in the yearly Tree Planting/Nurturing activity. The Register will serve as the official monitor that will readily indicate to one and all the cumulative progress/status of the Tree Planting/Nurturing activity as one of the ways of giving meaning and significance to the celebration of the Fraternity's founding anniversary every year. The registry will serve as a report that will be provided to the DENR every July 14 of each year.

For the initial registry, a standard set of information shall be collected from the participating Assemblies, items below. The same may be modified and updated in terms of details, status, benefits gained, impact, etc., as will be necessary.



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**Registry of Assemblies Participating in the Tree Planting and Nurturing
Activity, July 2021**

1. Sponsoring / Collaborating Assembly/ies
2. Nature of Activity / Project (e.g. Nursery Establishment, Seedlings Propagation/Distribution, etc.)
3. Date When Activity is Done
4. Kind and Number of Trees Planted / Seedlings Propagated/Distributed, etc.
5. Location (barangay and municipality where trees are planted or nursery is established, etc.)
6. Name and Contact Number of the Head/Lead Person of the Planting / Nurturing Team