



**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** : All Regional Executive Directors  
DENR Regions 1-13 and CAR (Except NCR)

**FROM** : The Director

**SUBJECT** : **REQUEST FOR FORESTRY/CBFM-RELATED DATA**

**DATE** : **JUN 13 2022**



This pertains to the attached electronic mail of Mr. Keith Anthony S. Fabro dated 12 April 2022, requesting forestry/CBFM-related data from the Bureau. This Office had already provided Mr. Fabro the total number of CBFMA holders and total CBFMA area (hectares) based on the Philippine Forestry Statistics 2020, which currently serves as the official reference for numerical facts/data on the Forestry sector. Further, the status of the proposed Sustainable Forest Management Act was also given to Mr. Fabro.

On the other hand, considering that the other data being requested are not available within the Bureau, may we solicit your inputs on the following:

1. *Amount of DENR funds allocated for CBFM-related activities for the period of 2018-2022*

Please note that any DENR funds utilized to benefit our CBFMA holders (e.g. intended for the formulation of Community Resource Management Framework and Five-Year Work Plan, and conduct of monitoring and assessment/evaluation of CBFM Agreement) can be considered as CBFM-related funds. Exclude all data related to CBFM-CARP and NGP as such are already available in this Office.

2. *Assistance provided to CBFMA holders affected by Typhoon Odette (Rai)*

These include efforts to rebuild forest communities, particularly typhoon-affected CBFM People's Organizations (POs), and restore/improve their facilities, livelihood and living condition, including endeavors to reduce future disaster risks. CBFM-CARP-funded projects/activities which also served as part of or instrumental in the rehabilitation and recovery efforts can be included.

Matrices for the requested data are attached to be filled out by the Regions. We will appreciate receiving your responses on or before 10 June 2022, for eventual consolidation of the Community Forestry Section (CFS) of our Forest Resources Management Division. In any case, advance electronic copy of the accomplished matrices can be sent to [frmd.cfs@fmnb.denr.gov.ph](mailto:frmd.cfs@fmnb.denr.gov.ph). Should you have inquiry, you may reach CFS at contact number (02) 8927-72-78 and at the aforementioned email address.

FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION PLEASE.

**TIRSO P. PARIAN, JR., CESO IV**

cc: The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs  
The Undersecretary for Field Operations – Luzon, Visayas and Environment  
The Undersecretary for Field Operations – Mindanao

**DENR FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR CBFM-RELATED ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD OF 2018-2022**

Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of CBFM-Related Projects/Activities	Province	Implementing Office (Indicate number of offices involved in and/or to which the funds for the implementation of CBFM-related projects/activities were allocated)			Budget Utilized	No. of CBFM-POs Benefitted	Remarks
		Regional Office	CENRO	PENRO/ Implementing PENRO			
<i>ex. Formulation of CRMF and FYWP</i>	<i>Cagayan</i>		2	1	₱300,000.00	6	

# **ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO CBFMA HOLDERS AFFECTED BY TYPHOON ODETTE (RAI)**

Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Assistance	Province	Implementing Office (Indicate number of offices involved in and/or to which the funds for the implementation of CBFM-related projects/activities were allocated)			Budget Utilized	No. of CBFM-POs Benefitted	Remarks
		Regional Office	CENRO	PENRO/ Implementing PENRO			
<i>ex. CBFM-CARP (Agroforestry and Livelihood Development, and Financial Subsidy for Livelihood/Enterprise Development)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agusan del Norte</li> <li>- Agusan del Sur</li> <li>- Dinagat Islands</li> <li>- Surigao del Norte</li> <li>- Surigao del Sur</li> </ul>	<i>1</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>P12,000,000.00</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>CBFM-CARP Projects of CBFM- POs affected by Typhoon Odette were approved/included in the CY 2022 implementation and are presently instrumental in the rehabilitation and recovery of the communities/ organizations</i>





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## [Mongabay.com press inquiry] CBFM implementation status in the Philippines

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Tue, Apr 12, 2022 at 11:07 AM

Dear FMB,

Greetings!

My name is Keith Anthony Fabro and I'm a freelance environmental journalist who regularly writes for independent news outlets like [Mongabay](#), [Eco-Business](#), [China Dialogue](#) and [Rappler](#).

Currently, I'm working on a Mongabay story featuring the Macatumbalen Community-Based Forest and Coastal Management Association, a nationally awarded CBFMA holder PO in San Vicente town in northern Palawan.

The 1,800-article puts a spotlight on the PO's reforestation and forest-based enterprises initiatives before and after the Typhoon Odette. At the same time, it will highlight CBFM and NGP as among the Philippines' EbA strategies.

Relatedly, I am humbly requesting the following CBFM national data from your office:

- Total number of CBFMA holder POs and participating households
- Current CBFM area coverage vis-a-vis target area coverage
- Total budget for CBFM vis-a-vis FMB budget (2018-2022)

With the CBFM annual budget allocation from GAA, how do you help typhoon-hit CBFMA holders restart their reforestation efforts, as well as their community enterprises? What CBFM and/or NGP incentives are available to these POs to facilitate their recovery?

Additionally, may I know the status of the proposed Sustainable Forest Management Act? How long have you been working on the passage of this national policy and how will it specifically benefit CBFM and participating POs amid climate change?

I hope to include your responses in the first draft that I'm going to submit to my Mongabay editor, Isabel Esterman, next Friday (April 22). Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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