



## MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director  
DENR – MIMAROPA Region  
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FROM : The Director

SUBJECT : **SUBMISSION OF FIRST QUARTER CY 2022 MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT REPORT ON COMMUNITY-BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS (CBFMAs) FOR CY 2022 WITHIN MIMAROPA REGION**

DATE : **JUN 13 2022**



This has reference to your Memorandum dated 22 April 2022 submitting the first quarter monitoring and assessment report on Community-Based Forest Management Agreements (CBFMAs) in your Region for CY 2022.

This Office recognizes the conduct of monitoring and assessment of our CBFMA holders to evaluate their status in terms of their compliance to the responsibilities and obligations entrusted to them as our partners in the management of our forestlands, as well as their progress in terms of area development, organizational development, project implementation, among others. Based on the review of the submitted report, this Office noted that the Region has monitored and assessed seven (7) CBFMA-POs for the first quarter. However, it is not indicated in the report the total target for CBFMA monitoring and assessment for CY 2022 to properly evaluate the status of the said activity and if the targets are being accomplished for a specific quarter.

Further, it is also noted that there are several issues and concerns in the areas monitored such as illegal logging and slash and burn (kaingin) that need further actions from the concerned office considering that these are prohibited and very destructive. Hence, the Region or concerned CENRO/PENRO is being requested to conduct further investigation on these matter as part of our forest protection and enforcement activities in our areas of jurisdictions.

In this regard, this Office recommends the continuous provision of technical assistance particularly on capacity development to strengthen the PO as an organization and as our active partners in forestry development, as well as to increase their socio-economic status while ensuring sustainable forest management.

FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.

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THE MIMAROPA REGION [OG-2022-85327]

DATE : APR 22 2022

Respectfully submitted is the monitoring and assessment report on the existing Community Based-Forest Management Agreements (CBFMAs). There are seventy six (76) existing CBFMAs within the MIMAROPA Region, of which seven (7) were monitored and assessed for the First Quarter, CY 2022.

Monitored/assessed CBFM Areas:

Province	No. of CBFMAs Issued	No. of CBFMAs Monitored	% Accom.
TOTAL	76	7	9.21
Oriental Mindoro	12	5	41.66
Mindoro Occ.	17	-	-
Marinduque	6	-	-
Romblon	4	-	-
Palawan	37	2	5.41

Hereto attached is the CD containing the narrative reports of seven (7) assessed CBFMAs which include geo-tagged photographs, GIS maps of the CBFM areas, duly accomplished monitoring and assessment tool and data base of existing CBFMAs within MIMAROPA Region.

*"For and in the absence of Regional Executive Director"*

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# **CONSOLIDATED MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT REPORT OF EXISTING CBFMAs FOR FIRST QUARTER CY 2022**

## **Introduction**

The Community-Based Forest Management (CBFM) is the national strategy to ensure the sustainable development of the country's forestland resources and social justice Pursuant to Executive Order No. 263. This program aims to elevate the socio-economic status of the local communities while ensuring sustainable forest management. through the promotion of social justice, and sustainable development of forest land resources, respect the rights of indigenous peoples, active community participation in forest management, responsible resource utilization in coordination with organized and empowered local communities.

Monitoring and assessment of CBFM areas aims to determine the status of the implementation of peoples organizations in their respective areas. This is to ensure the effective implementation of the strategies in compliance with the existing rules and regulations and to evaluate/assess the progress in terms of area development and organizational response to the CBFM projects.

For the first quarter of CY 2022, seven (7) existing CBFMAs were monitored and assessed.

## **Legal Basis**

**Executive Order No. 263 dated July 19, 1995** (Adopting Community-Based Forest Management As the National Strategy to Ensure The Sustainable Development of the Country's Forestlands Resources and Providing Mechanism For its Implementation.

**DENR Administrative Order No. 2004-29** dated August 25, 2004 Revised Rules and Regulations for the Implementation of EO 263, Otherwise known as the Community-Based Forest Management Strategy.

**FMB Technical Bulletin No. 20** dated April 19, 2016 Entitled Enhanced Guidelines and Procedures in the Preparation/Updating of the Community Resource Management Framework (CRMf) and Five Year Work Plan (FYWP) for the CBFMA.

## **Summary**

### **I - CBFM-PO of Oriental Mindoro**

#### **1.) CAMBUNANG CBFM ASSOCIATION (CCBFMA)**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-OR MDO-CBFMA-2002-12, issued on September 9, 2002, and to expire on September 9, 2027, covering an area of 151.30 hectares located at Brgy. Cambunang, Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro. The PO was registered with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) with Registration No. 012-1087 on March 28, 2012. The PO has a total of seventy-three (73)



members/participants, of which fifty-two (52) are males, and twenty-one (21) females, all are active members.

In 2012, the CBFMA holder was awarded with CBFM-CARP project with 48.0 hectares to develop. The CBFM area was planted with Narra, Mahogany, Gmelina, mango, coconut, cashew, non-timber forest products and rice and corn. Aside from developing, maintaining and managing the CBFM area, the CBFM-PO manages mango, cashew and nami (yam) production as their alternative livelihood.

**Issues/concerns:**

- Kaingin making
- Illegal logging
- Charcoal making
- Forest fire
- Slash and burn for the purpose of growing new and fresh cogon grass for cattle production
- Landslides due to occurrence of typhoons

**Recommendations:**

- Opening of new road across the area to be facilitated by the PO to the LGU for fast delivery of products to marketplace.
- Proposed, construction and funding of Small Water Impounding Structure (SWISS), to serve/supply water to the community and newly established plantations.
- Constant protection of the CBFM area by the association against forest and environmental violators.
- Continuous IEC about Climate Change by DENR to enhance PO's knowledge on the importance of reforestation projects.
- Capacity building (e.g, trainings, workshops on post-harvest activity/processing of their goods/products).

**2.) PUNDASYON HANUNUO MANGYAN, INC. (PHMI)**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-OR MDO-CBFMA-1998-01, issued on December 18, 1998, and to expire on December 19, 2023, covering an area of 3,356.0 hectares located at Brgy. Benli, Bagong Sikat and Cambunang, Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro. The PO was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) bearing Registration No. A-19981805 on May 18, 1998 and Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) with Registration No. 013-1955 on January 10, 2014. It has a total of one hundred forty (140) members/participants, of which one hundred five (105) are males, and thirty-five (35) females, all are active members.

The CBFMA holder was awarded with various project under National Greening Program (NGP) in 2013 with a project area of seven hundred thirty-seven (737) hectares and 2014 with an area of four hundred ninety-eight (498) hectares. The CBFM area was planted with Narra, Mahogany, Molave and Gmelina, coconut, guyabano and mango, non timber product (rattan) and vegetables.

**Issues:**



- Low survival of planted seedlings due to extreme weather conditions and shortage of water for irrigation.
- Boundary dispute.
- Illegal logging.
- No Farm to Market Road.
- Lack of training in organizational development and alternative livelihoods.

#### **Recommendations:**

- Additional funding for the Small Water Impounding Structure (SWIS).
- Resurveying of CBFMA area to correct the boundary with the A and D lands and the Ancestral domain claim but has to continue the parcellary relocation survey of awarded CSC holders and to lessen boundary disputes within the area.
- Regular meetings among the PO members and Officers for the smooth project implementation and management.
- Regular project monitoring, and patrolling.
- Coordination with the LGUs for the possible access road and farm to market roads.
- Application of clearance/permit to cut/harvest planted trees within individual farm lots.
- Coordination with the LGUs, National Government Agencies and NGOs for the provisions of livelihood trainings.

### **3.) MANGYAN PAGPAPAUNLAD CBFM ASSOCIATION INCORPORATION (MAPALAD CBFMAI)**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-OR MDO-CBFMA-2001-10, issued on November 28, 2001, and to expire on November 28, 2026, covering an area of 1,519.00 hectares located at Brgy. Nasucob, Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro. The PO was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) bearing Registration number A200111546 on August 16, 2001 and Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) with Registration No. 013-1881 on October 23, 2013. The Community Resource Management Framework (CRMF) and Five Year Work Plan (FYWP) have been updated on February 2022. It has a total of two hundred seventy-three (273) members/participants, of which one hundred thirty-eight (138) are males and one hundred thirty-five (135) females, all are active members.

Recently, a Non-Government Organization named Merge Energy and Environment Agri-Tech Inc. launched a pilot vegetable farm approximately one (1) hectare in partnership with Mangyan farmers. In addition, the CBFMA holder was awarded with various projects under National Greening Program (NGP) in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2016. The area was planted with Narra, Anapla, Gmelina, coconut, banana, mango, corn, and non-timber forest products (bamboo). Aside from developing and managing the CBFM area, the individual PO members manages the productions of bamboo crafts as alternative source of income

#### **Issues:**

- Kaingin making
- Charcoal making activities
- Forest fires due to extreme weather conditions



- Slash and burn activities for the purpose of growing new and fresh cogon grass for cattle production
- Typhoon damages and landslides during rainy seasons
- Boundary disputes with
- Cutting of trees without clearance in established plantation

#### **Recommendations:**

- Proposed construction and funding for additional Small Water Impounding Structure (SWIS), Series of Water Impounding Mini Dam across creeks and gullies, Installation of water pumps bringing water to higher elevation to lessen mortality rate in newly established plantations within the area during summer.
- Continuing IEC activities on Climate Change to deepen their involvement in reforestation.
- Proposed livelihood projects like planting/production of cashew and mango suited in the climatic condition of the area.
- Strict imposition of penalties for the forest violators.
- Regular meeting with the PO members.
- Resurveying of CBFMA area to correct the boundary
- Establishment of market center and trainings for product development.

#### **4.) BALATBAT RURAL WORKERS CBFM ASSOCIATION, INC. (BRWCBFMAI)**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-OR MDO-CBFMA-2002-11, issued on June 21, 2002, and to expire on June 21, 2027. The CBFM area covers a total of 2,996.34 hectares located at Barangays Manual and Panaytayan, Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro and Brgy. Benli, Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro. The PO was registered with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) with Registration No. 011-840 dated November 10, 2011. It has a total of four hundred three (403) members/participants, of which two hundred three (203) are males, and two hundred (200) females, all are active members.

The PO was awarded several projects including National Greening Program (NGP) in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2016 and Upland Development Project under Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) implemented on 2012 covering fifty (50) hectares. The CBFM area was planted with Narra, Mahogany, Gmelina, avocado, duhat, coconut, and agricultural crops like rice, corn and vegetables.

#### **Issues:**

- Kaingin making
- Charcoal making
- Occurrence of fire due to extreme weather conditions of the area which contribute to the high mortality rate of newly planted seedlings
- Slash and burn for the purpose of growing new fresh cogon grass for cattle production
- Landslides due to occurrence of typhoons
- Boundary disputes of some PO members with their individual farm lots.

#### **Recommendations:**



- Propose farm to market road to the LGU for the fast delivery of agroforestry and livestock products to market place.
- Proposed construction and funding of Small Water Impounding Structure (SWIS).
- Continuous IEC activity on Climate Change for the PO members to enhance their involvement in the reforestation project.
- Strict imposition of penalties by PO Officers for the forest occupants found violating environmental laws.
- Boundary disputes between individual farm lots should be settled and addressed.
- Trainings on alternative livelihood projects, funding and credit assistance intended to PO members to augment economic activities and to lessen kaingin activities in the area.
- Establishment of Market Center and training for product development.

## **5.) SAMAHAN NG MANGYAN IRAYA SA BARANGAY BARAS BACO (SMIBB)**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-CBFMA-ORMIN-98-02, issued on December 12, 1998, and to expire on December 12, 2023. The CBFM area covers a total of 1,113.06 hectares located at Barangay Baksing, Baco, Oriental Mindoro. The PO was registered with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE). It has a total of eighty (80) members/participants, of which fifty-eight (58) are males, and twenty-two (22) are females, majority are active members.

The PO was awarded "Agroforestry, Fuelwood and Timber Production" under CBFM-CARP in CY 2012-2015 wherein 100 hectares was planted with agroforestry such as Mahogany, Gmelina, Acacia Mangium, Narra, Rambutan, Lanzones and Tiger grass. Likewise, several National Greening Program (NGP) projects were granted in 2012, 2015, 2016 and 2018 with a total area of 365.9 hectares. The area was planted with forest trees and high value crops (HVC) such as Narra, Mahogany, Coffee and Durian. The PO manages some annual crops, like banana, abacca, coconut, cassava and coffee with non-timber products like tiger grass and bamboo. The PO members/family manage a buy and sale of harvested crops and tambo making and others are engaged in poultry as alternative source of income. Further, Nito vines are also abundant in the area where the PO members utilized the raw materials for making baskets, nito plates, fruit trays and pot trays. They also maintain the soft-broom making as their additional income. The CENRO-Socorro is extending assistance in updating their CRMF.

The Monitoring Team observed that the PO maintained the areas covered by CARP and NGP projects, wherein continuous planting of narra, mahogany, acacia mangium, rambutan, lanzones, coffee and tiger grass were undertaken. According to the PO President, they don't have enough budget/fund to establish another plantation in the area that are not yet developed and still waiting for another project.

### **Recommendations:**

- The PO should be oriented on ENR Laws, for them to be aware on some salient provisions of laws and regulation particular on the cutting of trees, slash and burn activities within the CBFM area.
- The PO should undertake quarterly meetings to discuss issues concerning the development in the area.



- Networking with LGU and other government agencies for possible livelihood projects.
- Continuous monitoring within the CBFM area.

## **II - CBFM-PO of Palawan**

### **6.) TAGBISAY UPLAND FARMERS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-PAL-CBFMA-2002-30 issued on October 21, 2002, and to expire on October 21, 2027, covering an area of 1,800 hectares located at Sitio Boong, Barangay Dumagueña, Narra, Palawan. The CBFMA of TUFAl was registered with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) with Registration No. PAL-2019-0022 on February 6, 2019, and also to Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) with Registration No. 2021070021297-17 on July 30, 2021. The PO has a total of sixty-eight (68) members/participants, of which thirty-three (33) are males, and thirty-five (35) are females, all are active members.

The CBFM-PO was granted a project under CBFM-CARP entitled "Agroforestry, Fuelwood and Timber Production" on May 31, 2021 with financial assistance of One Million Thirty Five Thousand Pesos (Php. 1,035,000) covering an area for development of fifty (50) hectares. The area was planted with banana, pineapple, Mahogany, and Mangium. Likewise, the TUFAl constructed a bunk house and obtained one (1) head of carabao. National Greening Program (NGP), is another project implemented in 2016 with an area of approximately 111 hectares. The PO manage Almaciga resin production as their existing enterprise/livelihood with an annual allowable harvest of 160,000 kilograms.

Conducted foot patrolling within the project area as their forest protection strategy.

On December 17, 2021, the TUFAl nursery and plantation area were affected by typhoon Odette, wherein, three thousand eight hundred eighty six (3,886) assorted forest trees, one thousand (1,000) agri-crops seedlings stocked in nursery and two thousand eighty five (2,085) planted Mahogany and Mangium seedlings covering 1.88 hectares were damaged.

#### **Issues:**

- Election of PO Officers was not materialized due to pandemic.
- Portion of the plantation, seedlings in the nursery, bunkhouse and comfort room roofing were damage due to typhoon Odette.

#### **Recommendation:**

- Reconstruction/reorganize PO's organizational structure.
- Conduct regular monitoring and patrolling within the CBFM area.
- To the PO to designate their member/s to monitor the nursery and plantation in rotational basis.
- Transfer the nursery on elevated area with source of water.
- Granting projects for additional source of income.
- Provision of additional fund for the rehabilitation of nursery and plantation area.



**7.) SAMAHANG PANGKALIKASAN AT PANGKAUNLARAN INC. (SPPI)**

The PO is a holder of CBFMA No. RIV-PAL-CBFMA-1999-04 issued on February 12, 1999, and to expire on February 12, 2024, covering an area of 950.4 hectares located at Sitio Mariwara, Brgy. Urduja, Narra, Palawan. The CBFMA of SPPI was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) with Registration No. SEC ANO-001194 on March 22, 1994. The PO has a total of ninety (90) members/participants, of which fifty (50) are males, and forty (40) are females, majority are active members.

In 2016, the CBFM-PO was granted a project under CBFM-CARP Project entitled "Agroforestry, Fuelwood and Timber Production" covering an area of fifty (50) hectares. The area was planted with Mahogany, Kakawate, Jackfruit, Cashew, Pineapple and Cassava and obtained two (2) heads of carabao. Likewise, National Greening Program (NGP), is another project implemented in 2017 covering ninety (90) hectares.

The CBFMA holder continuously conducted foot patrolling within the project area as their forest protection strategy. The PO manages Reforestation project under the NGP project as their source of livelihood while individual/family managed a vegetable and root crops production.

**Issues:**

- Lack of financial capability for maintenance of the previous projects.
- Timber poaching and charcoal making within the CBFM area.

**Recommendation:**

- Additional funds for the maintenance of their previous projects.
- The CBFM-Desk Officer to conduct regular meetings with the PO.
- Reconstruct/reorganize PO's organizational structure and motivate them to engage in other livelihood projects.
- Encourage the PO to establish forest nursery as source of planting materials for the upcoming projects.
- Conduct regular monitoring and patrolling within the CBFM area
- Repair and maintenance of bunkhouse intended for multi-purpose use.
- Intensify Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Campaign in the local community

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