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MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

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The Assistant Regional Director for

Technical Services

FROM

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE ATTENDED LEVELING-OFF MEETING ON

PROJECT THE SCS SAP **UPDATES** OF VALIDATION OF **IMPLEMENTATION** AND

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Respectfully submitted the Memorandum dated November 3, 2022 from Marine Biologist Genesis Ustares regarding the above-mentioned subject.

As per report, a total of eighteen (18) individuals attended the meeting, six (6) males and twelve (12) females with representatives from the following agencies: Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB), PENRO Palawan (CDS & NGP), ČENRO Puerto Princesa, Quezon, Roxas, Taytay, Coron and Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Staff (PCSDS). The highlights of the meeting are included in the attached activity report, as well as photo documentation.

Please be informed that the inputs of the CENROs and PCSDS to the regional output matrix will be presented on the Regional Scientific and Technical Committee of the SCS SAP Project in Bangkok, Thailand.

For information and record.

"For and in the absence of the PENRO"

VIE B. GANDEZA DMO IV/ OIC Chief, TSD

In-Charge, Office of the PENRO

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MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

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The OIC Chief, Technical Services Division

The Chief, Conservation and Development Section Snake Island Management Officer in concurrent capacity

FROM

Genesis Z. Ustares

Marine Biologist II, Snake Island Management Office

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE ATTENDED LEVELING-OFF MEETING ON THE UPDATES OF THE SCS SAP PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION AND VALIDATION OF

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Respectfully submitted is the report of the undersigned on the attended leveling-off meeting on the updates of the SCS SAP Project Implementation and Validation of Accomplishment on October 7, 2022 at Hue Hotels and Resorts as per issued Notice of Meeting from the OIC BMB Director dated October 4, 2022.

A total of eighteen (18) individuals attended the meeting, six (6) males and twelve (12) females with representatives from the following agencies: Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB), PENRO Palawan - CDS, PENRO Palawan - NGP, CENRO Puerto Princesa, Quezon, Roxas, Taytay, Coron and Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Staff (PCSDS).

The following are highlights of the meeting:

- 1. The BMB-CMD presented the rationale and the implementing the Strategic Action Program for the South China and the Guld of Thailand (SCS SAP) Project 2008-2021;
- 2. The project includes the achievements for the following component:
 - a. Mangroves (CENRO Coron, Roxas, Puerto Princesa and Quezon)
 - b. Coral Reefs (CENRO Taytay)
 - c. Seagrass (CENRO Taytay)
 - d. Wetlands (CENRO Taytay)
- 3. The following are the regional outputs that need inputs/validation for the SAP Targets and Summary of Achievements for Mangroves SAP Targets are:
 - a. Declaration of 57,400 ha mangroves as National Parks and Protected Areas
 - Reform or law and regulation for the sustainable sue of 602,800 ha of mangrove forest
 - c. Replanting of 21,000 ha of deforested mangrove land
 - d. Biodiversity increased for 11,200 ha of mangrove forest via enrichment planting



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e. Established mechanism for monitoring management, ecological and socio-economic indicators at 26 sites

4. The following are the regional outputs for Coral Reef SAP Targets:

- a. Management capacity (number/levels human resources, facilities and equipment, and sustainable financing mechanisms) built for 46 coral reef sites
- Management approaches and policy, legal and institutional reforms (integrated, community-based, multiple use) improved at 46 coral reef sites
- c. Management tools (licensing and permit systems, seasonal closures, zoning) developed and utilized to address key threats at priority sites
- d. Established mechanism for monitoring management, ecological and socio-economic indicators at 46 sites

5. The following are the regional outputs for Seagrass SAP Targets:

- a. Twenty-one seagrass areas under sustainable management with supporting laws and regulations
- b. Amended management plans for 7 existing MPAs with significant seagrass areas, to include specific seagrass-related management actions and policy, legal and institutional reforms
- c. Designation of 7 new Marine Protected Areas focusing on seagrass areas identified in the prioritized listings of the SCS Project
- d. Established mechanism for monitoring management, ecological and socio-economic indicators at 21 sites

6. Lastly, the following are the regional outputs for the Wetlands SAP Targets:

- a. Integrated management plans developed and under implementation for at least 3 lagoons (26,818 ha), 9 estuaries (614,680 ha), 5 tidal flats (96,903 ha), 1 peat swamp (45,700 ha) and 1 non-peat swamp (9,808 ha) and associated policy, legal and institutional reforms
- b. Declaration of wetland areas with protection status (i.e. non-hunting area, nature reserves, protected areas, Ramsar Sites).
- c. Adoption of a regional estuary monitoring scheme and its national implementation (based on SAP results framework)

The inputs of the CENROs and PCSDS to the regional outputs matrix will be presented on Regional Scientific and Technical Committee of the SCS SAP Project in Bangkok, Thailand.

For your information and further instructions.

GENESIS Z. USTARES

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RHODORA B. UBANI

Chief, CDS

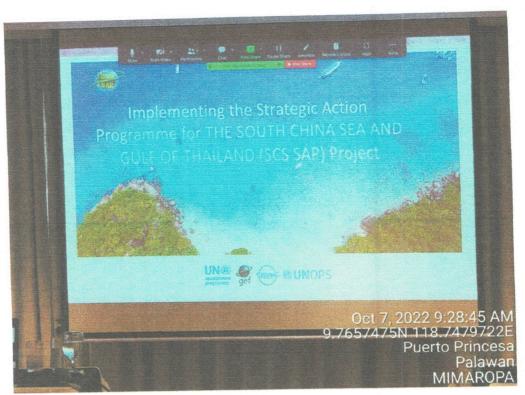


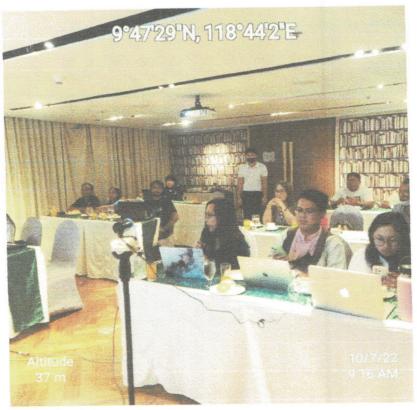
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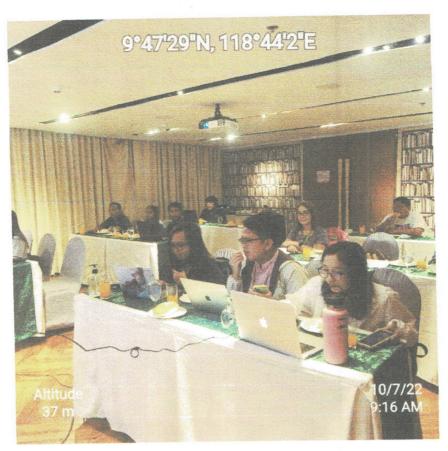


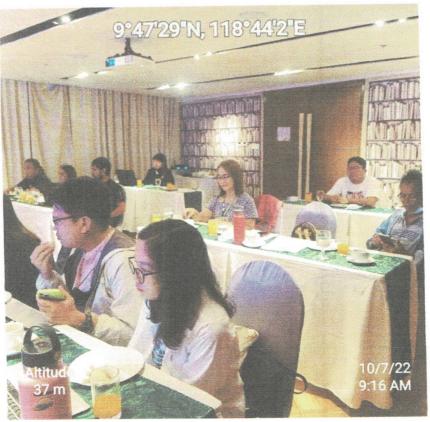




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