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April 3, 2023

#### MEMORANDUM

FOR

: The Regional Executive Director DENR MIMAROPA Region 1515 L&S Bldg., Roxas Boulevard,

Ermita, Manila

FROM

: The Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

: ISOLATION OF UNITS/PERSONNEL FROM THE GRANT OF THE FY 2021 PERFORMANCE-BASED BONUS (PBB)

This has reference to the Memorandum dated 16 March 2023 of Usec. Atty. Jonas Leones, CESO I to the Regional Executive Directors re: ISOLATION OF UNITS/PERSONNEL FROM THE GRANT OF THE FY 2021 PERFORMANCE-BASED BONUS (PBB).

In view whereof, respectfully endorsing the unanimous Manifestation/Appeal letter of the Regulation Permitting Section (RPS) of DENR Palawan concerning the abovementioned Memorandum.

For information, record, and consideration.

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Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer

Palawan

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Section Head

Regulation and Permitting Section, PENRO Palawan

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This has reference to the memorandum from Usec. Atty. Jonas R. Leones dated 16 March 2023 to the Regional Executive Directors re: *Isolation of Units/Personnel of the Regions from the Grant of the FY 2021 Performance-Based Bonus.* As per said memorandum, based on the evaluation of the AO 25 Inter-Agency Task Force, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources is eligible for the grant of the FY 2021 PBB. However, under DENR Memorandum Circular No.11 s 2021 the agency achieved a performance rating of below 4 in 2 out of 4 Dimensions and was found non-compliant in 3 of the Agency Accountabilities under section 5.0 of said memorandum circular. Thus, the unit/s most responsible (including its head) for the non-compliance will be isolated from the grant of FY 2021 PBB.

Through an electronic mail received last 22 March 2023, PENRO Palawan was informed by the Regional Office that the Performance Results for the year 2021 of MIMAROPA was on 61.91% or issued only 681 residential free patents out of the 1,100 target. Upon review, it was found out that Palawan only achieved 51.27% or had only 221 accomplished residential free patent applications out of 431 target. Thus, PENRO PALAWAN was identified as having failed to reach the standard performance criteria, conditions, and results and was not compliant to some of the activities of the Region. Also, the Regional Office further requested to identify the specific unit/personnel most responsible for the non-compliance/s.

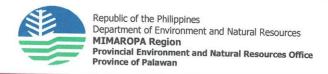
In light of the foregoing, the PENRO PALAWAN would like to manifest that no personnel nor unit head is essentially negligent on the failure of the agency to reach the target but we would like to elaborate the following reasons which highly contributed to the outcome, to wit:

## The Lifting of Suspension of Title Ban in Selected Municipalities of Palawan

It is sensible that the target set forth for Palawan in issuing residential free patent was high considering that then Acting Secretary Jim O. Sampulna issued a memorandum dated 2 March 2020 re: Lifting of Suspension in the issuance, processing and approval of Survey Authority, Survey Plans, and Public Land Applications (PLAs) covering lots in the selected municipalities. (Herein attached as Annex A). These municipalities are Culion, Rizal, Busuanga, Roxas, Taytay, Balabac, Narra, and Brooke's Point. Thus, since some applications were already allowed, its turnout is expected to be higher compared to the past year.

It is noticeable that the memorandum did not include the thickly populated city/municipalities in Palawan such as Puerto Princesa City with a population of 307,079; Bataraza with 85,439; Coron with 65, 855; El Nido with 50, 494; and Quezon with 65, 283. (Copies of Tables of Total Population of Puerto Princesa City by Barangays and Palawan by Municipalities herein attached as Annex B and Annex B-1).

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The non-inclusion of the aforementioned city/municipalities greatly affected the output of the public land applications in Palawan since these areas have immense potential for residential free patent application aside from the subsisting ones.

# Palawan was under Strict Covid Protocols from year 2020 to year 2021

From year 2020 to year 2021 the entirety of the Province of Palawan was under COVID-19 restrictions which hindered the movements of all the residents of said province most especially those who have transactions in government offices such as the DENR which included the applicants for residential free patents whose applications were pending before the CENROs of PENRO Palawan.

Considering that Palawan was placed in Enhance Community Quarantine (ECQ), Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ), and General Community Quarantine (GCQ) for the whole pandemic in 2020, the limited movement of the people greatly affected the number of applicants for residential free patent. (A table of government restrictions for 2020 is hereby attached as Annex C). It is not viable for the personnel to reach the target number if there is a low number of applicants no matter how much the personnel encourage the people to apply. In 2021, though the restrictions were lenient compared to the last year, it must be pondered that there are still protocols observed and the province is still adjusting to the current set up. (Attached here is a table of government restrictions for 2021 as Annex C-1)

Another factor that needs to be considered is the generated income of the province. Official data of tourist flow from the Provincial Government of Palawan reveals that there was a drastic drop of the number of tourists who came to Palawan from 2020 to 2021. This contributed to the inability of the residents particularly the applicants for residential free patent to process their said applications, given the fact that tourism is one of the primary sources of income within the province of Palawan. It is noteworthy that in 2019, Palawan received a total of 1,987,605 and generated 86 billion pesos. (2018 vs. 2019 Tourism Receipts is attached here as Annex D). As per the Palawan Tourism Promotions and Development Office, only 318,154 tourists arrived in Palawan for the year 2020 and only 64,901 in 2021, a clear cut in the income of the province as well as its inhabitants. (The Official Data of Tourists Flow from the Provincial Government of Palawan is hereby attached as Annex D-1)

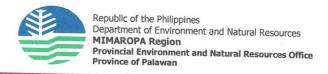
Aside from the expenses for the processing of their applications, the applicants are also burdened by expenses paid for the travel and with the medical expenses such as Antigen Test as required by some local government units.

Further, for us to reach the 890 residential free patents, we requested through a memorandum for the Regional Executive Director dated 9 July 2020 to include the agricultural patents application. But our request was declined and instead of 890 target, it was increased to 1,814 residential applications to be accomplished in six (6) months. We have manifested our worry that we may not accomplish what was set forth for us in the mid 2020. (Memorandum from the Provincial Environment and Natural Resource Officer for the Regional Executive Department dated July 9, 2020 re: Request for the Amendment of Target for the issuance of Residential Free Patents for CY 2020 is hereby attached as Annexed E)

The pandemic is a situation no one can apprehend and prevent. As much as we want to deliver what is expected from us, we can only do so little.

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# Palawan was the only Province in MIMAROPA Region 4-B that was under the mandate of DMC 2019-10

Palawan was the only province in MIMAROPA Region 4-B that under the guidelines and/or procedure of DMC 2019-10. (Herein attached as "Annex F"). Such DMC provided more stringent requirements for the processing of the applications for residential free patent in Palawan this contributed to the inability of the applicants to swiftly comply with the submissions of their requirements especially during the covid 19 lockdown. Other PENROS in MIMAROPA still observed the DENR Administrative Order 2010-12 or the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. 10023. The said DAO did not require the latest tax declaration for the application be given due course unlike in DMC 2019-10 which was implemented in Palawan. Corollary, the economic capability of the applicant is needed in order to obtain the latest tax declaration as proper payment of real property tax. As previously discussed, the income of the inhabitants was compromised by the pandemic. As per the Provincial Assessor Office, there was also a low turnout of payment of real property tax. Hence, the personnel cannot process the application if it lacks a requirement.

It is true that there are applications made in 2021 but we cannot take action on the said applications since they lack the requirements provided by DMC 2019-10 but such applications were considered as part of the continuing target for 2022. Our unit was able to issue more than half of the continuing target of residential free patents in 2022.

Overall, DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2019-10 has significantly affected the issuance of residential free patent as it increased the requirements needed for the processing, issuance, and approval thereof. All these circumstances, when combined, puts additional burden not only on the applicants but also the agency as well. Thus, it would be detrimental to the personnel to be deprived of their benefits due to circumstances beyond their control.

Therefore, in view of the foregoing, we pray that the justifications discussed above be considered and given due course and the suggested isolation of units/personnel from the grant of the FY 2021 Performance-Based Bonus (PBB) shall no longer be necessary.

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Annex "A"

### MEMORANDUM FROM THE ACTING SECRETARY

The Regional Executive Director DENR - MIMAROPA

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SUBJECT

LIFTING OF SUSPENSION IN THE ISSUANCE, PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF SURVEY AUTHORITY, SURVEY PLANS, AND PUBLIC LAND APPLICATIONS (PLAS) COVERING LOTS IN THE WHOLF PROVINCE OF PALAWAN

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In support of the sustainable development of the Province of Palawan, and having established safety measures in the disposition of lands through the issuance of DENR Memorandum Circular (DMC) No. 2019-101 dated December 11, 2019, the suspension on the issuance, processing and approval of survey authority, survey plans, and public land applications IN THE ENTIRE PALAWAN IS HEREBY LIFTED.

You are hereby directed to proceed with the processing of all subsisting and new requests for issuance of survey authority, approval of survey plans and PLAs subject to DMC No. 2019-10

Government projects such as, but not limited to, school sites, government offices, and military camps falling within timberland shall be temporarily suspended while such land is subjected to reclassification into agricultural lands.

The Memorandum issued by the then Undersecretary Demetrio Ignacio, Jr. on May 28, 2015 suspending all titling activities in the Province of Palawan and the Memorandum issued by Undersecretary Juan Miguel T. Cuna on December 18, 2018 suspending the processing of land titling in the Municipalities of El Nido and Coron are hereby revoked. On the other hand, the Memorandum issued by Undersecretary Jim O. Sampulna on March 2, 2020 lifting the moratorium on titling in only eight (8) municipalities in the Province of Palawan is hereby superseded.

For your information and strict compliance.

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The Acting Director Land Management Bureau 880 F.R. Estuar Building, Qu Barangay Paligsahan, Quezon City



Applications Covering Lots in the Provinces of Sarangai

# PHILIPPINES: Puerto Princesa City

## Barangays

The population of the barangays in Puerto Princesa City by census years

		Population	Population	Population	Population	
Name	Status	Census 2000-05-01	Census 2010-05-01	Census 2015-08-01	Census 2020-05-0	
Babuyan	Barangay	1,704	2,304	2,472	2.92	
Bacungan	Barangay	3,406	3.875	4.555	5,96	
Bagong Bayan	Barangay	534	743	827	78	
Bagong Pag-Asa	Barangay	2,078	663	750	73	
Bagong Sikat	Barangay	6,365	6,994	7,497	7,03	
Bagong Silang	Barangay	3,602	4,121	5,296	4,22	
Bahile	Barangay	1,932	2,304	2,339	2,66	
Bancao-Bancao	Barangay	8,078	10,948	13,612	15,78	
Barangay Ng Mga Mangingisda		2,694	4,317	5.350	7.98	
Binduyan	Barangay	855	1,207	1,293	1,51	
Buenavista	Barangay	780	1,178	1,212	1,49	
Cabayugan	Barangay	2,114	2,871	3,368	3,75	
Concepcion	Barangay	1,042	1,336	1,418	1,75	
Inagawan	Barangay	1,357	1,519	1,623	1,75	
Inagawan Sub-Colony	Barangay	1,200	3,621	4,052	5,17	
Irawan	Barangay	3,548	4,652	6,142	8,78	
lwahig	Barangay	1,700	3,814	4,527	5,42	
Kalipay	Barangay	566	646	725	50	
Kamuning	Barangay	1,419	1.734	1.978	2.06	
Langogan	Barangay	1,346	1,950	2,067	2,61	
Liwanag	Barangay	1,574	1,204	1,202	1,27	
Lucbuan	Barangay	1,216	1,406	1,401	1,77	
Luzviminda	Barangay	2,793	3,306	3,473	3,63	
Mabuhay	Barangay	1,073	1,238	206	25	
Macarascas	Barangay	1,275	1,472	1,609	1,71	
Magkakaibigan	Barangay	313	296	375	30	
Maligaya	Barangay	344	221	311	27	
Manalo	Barangay	1,692		2,143	2,79	
Mandaragat	Barangay	8,422		9,210	10,24	
Manggahan	Barangay	1,332		644	56	
Maningning	Barangay	767	804	791	89	
Maoyon	Barangay	994	1,181	1,281	1,44	
Marufinas	Barangay					
Maruyogon	Barangay					
Masigla	Barangay					
Masikap	Barangay					
Masipag	Barangay					
Matahimik	Barangay				1,2	
Matiyaga	Barangay				4	
Maunlad	Barangay		4,027	3,865	4,3	
Milagrosa	Barangay		2,870	3,100	3,1	
Model	Barangay	374	373	327		
Montible	Barangay	212	559	362	2 6	

Annex "B"

Name	Status	Population Census 2000-05-01	Population Census 2010-05-01	Population Census 2015-08-01	Population Census 2020-05-01
Napsan	Barangay	1,917	2,370	1,797	3,064
New Panggangan	Barangay	542	579	629	710
Pagkakaisa	Barangay	1,740	1,936	1,131	1,178
Princesa	Barangay	907	1,034	1,015	1,003
Salvacion	Barangay	884	1,184	1,197	1,506
San Jose	Barangay	5,209	12,665	17,521	23,804
San Manuel	Barangay	4,719	10,098	12,510	18,509
San Miguel	Barangay	14,603	18,304	19,649	21,157
San Pedro	Barangay	12,127	20,451	22,089	25,909
San Rafael	Barangay	1,419	1,388	1,836	2,065
Santa Cruz	Barangay	580	767	840	1,091
Santa Lourdes	Barangay	3,383	5,039	5,171	8,186
Santa Lucia	Barangay	135	210	147	422
Santa Monica	Barangay	8,287	13,749	20,094	21,174
Seaside	Barangay	1,544	314	312	348
Sicsican	Barangay	4,341	10,459	15,861	22,625
Simpocan	Barangay	914	1,077	1,272	1,247
Tagabinit	Barangay	1,169	1,066	1,170	1,630
Tagburos	Barangay	3,555	5,14	7,045	9,824
Tagumpay	Barangay	1,083	3 703	2 465	782
Tanabag	Barangay		2 553	3 700	771
Tanglaw	Barangay		2 2,07	5 1,739	1,941
Tiniquiban	Barangay		5 11,17	0 12,28	5 13,565
Puerto Princesa	City	161,91	2 222,67	3 255,11	6 307,079

**Source:** National Statistics Office of the Philippines (web), National Statistical Coordination Board (web). **Explanation:** Area figures are computed by using geospatial data.

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Table 2. Total Population by Municipality, Palawan  $^{1/}$ : Census Years 2020 and 2015

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Census Year	Province / Municipality	Total Population	Household Population	Institutional Population
2020	Palawan 1/	939,594	934,669	4,925
	Aborlan	38,736	38,721	15
	Agutaya	12,867	12,845	22
	Araceli	14,434	14,425	9
	Balabac	42,527	42,386	141
	Bataraza	85,439	84,245	1,194
	Brooke's Point	73,994	73,624	370
	Busuanga	25,617	25,341	276
	Cagayancillo	6,884	6,884	-
	Coron	65,855	65,319	536
	Cuyo	23,489	23,068	421
	Dumaran	23,528	23,487	41
	El Nido (Bacuit)	50,494	50,044	450
	Linapacan	16,424	16,343	81
	Magsaysay	12,603	12,577	26
	Narra			

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	Quezon	65,283	65,045	238
	Roxas	69,624	69,509	115
	San Vicente	33,507	33,370	137
	Taytay	83,357	82,954	403
	Kalayaan	193	92	101
	Culion	23,213	23,067	146
	Rizal (Marcos)	56,162	56,032	130
	Sofronio Española	37,416	37,416	-
2015	Palawan 1/	849,469	845,650	3,819
	Aborlan	35,091	35,004	87
	Agutaya	12,545	12,492	53
	Araceli	14,909	14,895	14
	Balabac	40,142	39,853	289
	Bataraza	75,468	75,174	294
	Brooke's Point	66,374	66,310	64
	Busuanga	22,046	21,858	188
	Cagayancillo	6,285	6,275	10
	Coron	51,803	51,246	557

GOVERNMENT ADVISORIES/MEMOS ON COVID-19 FOR THE YEAR 2020	QUARANTINE CLASSIFICATION
1. MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY dated March 16, 2020, pursuant to Presidential Proclamations 292 and 922 (Series of 2020) or the "Community Quarantine over the Entire Luzon and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation"	Placed the entire Luzon to ECQ and stringent Social Distancing Measures from March 17, 2020 to April 13, 2020.
2. MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY dated April 7, 2023 or the "Memorandum from the Executive Secretary on Extension of the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) Over the Entire Luzon Until 30 April 2020"	ECQ Over the Entire Luzon Until 30 April 2020
3. EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 112, series of 2020 or the  "IMPOSING AN ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE  IN HIGH-RISK GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF THE PHILIPPINES  AND A GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IN THE  REST OF THE COUNTRY FROM 01 TO 15 MAY 2020,  ADOPTING THE OMNIBUS GUIDELINES ON THE  IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER  PURPOSES" dated May 1, 2020	The Province of Palawan is under GCQ until May 15, 2020.
4. IATF RESOLUTION NO. 37 dated May 15, 2020, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	The Province of Palawan is under GCQ until May 30, 2020.
5. IATF RESOLUTION NO. 40 May 27, 2020 (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Enhance Community Quarantine until (ECQ) June 15, 2020.
6. IATF RESOLUTION NO. 41, May 29, 2020 (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Due to the appeal by the LGU, Palawan was placed under the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until June 15, 2020.
7. IATF RESOLUTION NO. 55-A July 14, 2020 (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until July 31, 2020.
8. IATF RESOLUTION NO. 60-A July 30, 2020(Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until August 15, 2020
9.IATF RESOLUTION NO.63 (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until August 31, 2020
10. IATF RESOLUTION NO.66 (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) until September 30, 2020
11. IATF RESOLUTION NO.75-A (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) October 1, 2020 until October 31, 2020

12. IATF RESOLUTION NO.81 (Series of 2020) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION	Palawan was placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) from November 1, 2020 until November 30, 2020
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Hereto is the list/summary/news and Local Advisories of COVID-19 in the Provice of Palawan and Puerto Princesa City for the year 2021, to wit:

NEWS AND LOCAL ADVISORIES OF COVID-19 IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND PUERTO PRINCESA CITY FOR THE YEAR 2021	REMARKS
A "community transmission" alert is up again over Puerto Princesa City as the number of new COVID-19 cases saw a rapid rise since the death last week of an elderly patient from Barangay San Jose.	"The city government also announced it will reimpose strict curfew hours beginning Sunday, February 14, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., along with stricter quarantine measures. xxx "Simula bukas, February 14, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. na ang ating curfew. Ito ay for 14 days. Paligtingin din natin ang presence ng ating mga COVID marshals. At baka nakalimutan natin, dahil naka-MGCQ tayo, ang puwede lang lumabas ay ang may edad 15 hanggang 65 years old lang. Kasi nakikita mo sa mga mall, medyo nakakalimutan na ito, may mga baby pa. Pagpapatupad natin ulit 'yon. At the same time, maglalabas din tayo ng request na i-reduce muna ang workforce ng mga opisina by 50%," said Dr. Panganiban. He added that the workforce reduction will only last for seven days beginning Monday, February 15. City Hall's Monday flag ceremony is also suspended until further notice, according to city administrator Atty. Arnel Pedrosa in a text message to Palawan News."- https://palawan-news.com/ppc-declares-community-transmission-anew/
Palawan won't readily adapt new IATF policy easing travel restrictions By Romar Miranda - February 27, 2021	"Puerto Princesa City and several key Palawan towns have yet to consider whether to adapt in full the new guidelines released Saturday by the national Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EID) that discarded the mandatory RT-PCR testing for arriving passengers, including mandatory facility quarantine for those traveling to the capital. xxx "We are at the battle front, mas alam natin yung kalagayan at sitwasyon kung ano man ang mayroon tayo dito" Pedrosa said in a phone interview."-palawannews.com
3. El Nido adopts stricter travel policy By Patricia Laririt - February 23, 2021 palawannews.com Princesa City By Palawan News - April 24, 2021 palawannews.com	
4. Inbound travel to Puerto Princesa City suspended By Patricia Laririt - March 28, 2021 palawannews.com	
5. Regional IATF approves ECQ "localized lockdown" of 5 major barangays of PPC By Romar Miranda and Patricia Laririt - April 15, 2021 palawannews.com	
6. San Vicente MIATF, muling naghigpit sa pagpapatupad ng health protocols By Alex Baaco - April 14, 2021 palawannews.com	

16. San Vicente MIATF nagsagawa ng	
pagpupulong kaugnay sa travel restrictions	
saBrgy. Binga at Canipo By Alex Baaco - May	
04, 2021 palawan-news.com	
17. Taytay locks down Brgy. Liminangcong By	
Aira Genesa Magdayao - May 14, 2021	
palawan-news.com	
18. Roxas MIATF requires inbound, essential	
travelers' negative antigen results	
By Alex Baaco - May 13, 2021 palawan-	
news.com	
19. Rio Tuba in Bataraza placed under ECQ	
again By Ruil Alabi - May 18, 2021 palawan-	
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20. Two areas in Magsaysay town placed	
under ECQ By Alex Baaco - May 23, 2021	
palawan-news.com	
21. RIATF grants Cuyo request for localized	
lockdown By Alex Baaco - May 23, 2021	
palawan-news.com	
22. Magsaysay municipality suspends	
inbound travel By Alex Baaco - May 25, 2021	
palawan-news.com	
23. Quarantine pass system mahigpit na	
ipinatutupad ngayon sa Taytay By Alex Baaco	
- June 03, 2021 palawan-news.com	
24. RIATF approves temporary suspension of	
inbound travel to Cuyo By Alex Baaco - June	
03, 2021 palawan-news.com	
25. Travel ban to Puerto Princesa City	
extended until June 16 Palawan News - June	
02, 2021 palawan-news.com	
26. Palengke ng Española pansamantalang	
isasara para sa disinfection By Ruil Alabi - June	
02, 2021 palawan-news.com	
27. Ilang tanggapan sa Roxas municipal gov't,	
pansamantalang sarado para sa disinfection	
Alex Baaco - May 31, 2021 palawan-news.com	
28. Tatlong purok sa Poblacion, San Vicente	F00
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isinailalim ng MIATF sa ECQ Alex Baaco - June	
17, 2021 palawan-news.com	
29. Apat na purok sa Bgy. Candawaga sa bayan	
ng Rizal isinailalim sa ECQ By Ruil Alabi - June	
27, 2021 palawan-news.com	
30. Palawan eyes return of 14-day facility- based quarantine from Aug. 14-31 By Aira	
Genesa Magdayao - August 13, 2021 palawan-	
news.com	
31. Delta variant posing serious threat to city,	

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Table 4: 2018 vs. 2019 Tourism Receipts

Indicators	Domestic	nestic Tourists Rate Foreign Tourists		Rate	To	otal	Rate		
	2018	2019		2018	2019		2018	2019	
Tourist Arrivals	1,178,152	1,159,727	(-1.60%)	740,939	827,878	12%	1,919,091	1,987,605	3.57%
Average Daily Expenses (ADE)	P3,60	54.00		P10,7	63.00		P7,214.00		
Average Length of Stay (ALOS)	6.4 n	ights		5.7 n	ights		6 ni	ghts	
Tourism Receipt	P28B	P27B	(-3.7%)	P45B	P51B	13%	P83B	P86B	3.6%



# Republic of the Philippines Provincial Government of Palawan Office of the Governor

# PALAWAN TOURISM PROMOTIONS AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE Puerto Princesa City

# Trend of Distribution of Travelers in Palawan

Year	Domestic	Foreign	Total	Growth Rate	
2023	23 111,570 111,535 23		223,105	-72.60%	
2022	624,805	189,264	814,069	1154%	
2021	64,887	14	64,901	-79.60%	
2020	182,225	135,929	318,154	-84%	
2019	1,159,727	827,878	1,987,605	3.57%	
2018	1,178,152	740,939	1,919,091	28%	
2017	926,916	571,932	1,498,848	26%	
2016	763,927	428,549	1,192,476	18%	
2015	670,602	338,306	1,008,908	9%	
2014	680,408	281,724	962,132	9%	
2013	641,901	241,118	883,019	6%	

Note: Data as of February 2023

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# Sources of Travelers

S. Espanola			-	-	-	-	-	-			
Magsaysay				-	462*	-	-	-	-		
Dumaran			-			1,098	2,524	830	-	-	-
Aborlan	537	760	_	-	2.853		16,710	11,877	-		-
Bataraza	1,664	11,882	*2,982	10,536	16,984	12.749	5,644	2,104	63	525	-
Linapacan	4,463	4,724	68	4,951	878	8,701		1,576	828	101	-
Rizal	183	104	-	-	3,445	8,541	3,803	20,352	3,110	-	9,496
Narra	1,342	22,263	2,454	1,763	33,871	21,128	27,281	12,850	-	-	-
	863	3,620	1,120	3,621	10,959	17.258	17,149		2,661	2,036	-
Roxas	1,608	10,323	4,126	610	36,689	3,231	1.295	2,485		6,484	-
Culion	2,567	8,310	1,143	2,455	11,928	3,238	14,150	4,670	-	-	1,51
Busuanga	16		-	12	59	-	-	1	714	521	676
Cagayancillo	121	542	-	44	763	5,052		543	414	-	-
Сиуо	69	3,636	-	1,962	9,170	15,895	-	8,152	0,412	-	9,30
Quezon	675	8,200	7,558	1,548	14,202	8,971	13,475	15.878	5,412	-	-
Taytay	73	787	-	69	764	-	-	791	14,735	13,930	17,5
Point Araceli	4,242	20,974	10,697	10,512	22,167	20,609	18,478	16.623	14,753	10,363	9,5
Brooke's	17,958	21,253	1,328	7,096	41,972	35,050	26,020	21.025	15,105	86,954	51,8
San Vicente	89,618	284,838	28,156	70,565	311,724	258,641	147,695	124.097	106,496	100,946	91,6
El Nido	25,273	105,295	4,986	47,996	292,549	208,100	173,570	91,918	58,006	-	-
Princesa Coron	72,492			154,435	1,170,083	1,278,318	1,021,640	856,705	802,060	740,272	000
Puerto	-	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	20

Note: Data as of Sebruary 2028

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## Top Markets

	2023	% Share from	
Rank	Nationality	Frequency	Total
1	USA	10,373	1.27%
2	Germany	5,437	0.67%
3	France	4,916	0.60%
4	Spain	4,076	
5	Netherlands	3,477	0.50%
6	United Kingdom	2,785	0.43%
7	Italy	2,471	0.34%
8	Australia	2,238	0.30%
9	China		0.27%
10	Canada	1,853	0.23%
10	Callaud	1,810	0.22%

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Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA REGION

PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

July 9, 2020

### MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR-MIMAROPA, 1515 L & S Building

Roxas Boulevard, Ermita, Manila

ATTENTION

The Chief, Licenses, Patents and Deeds Division

**FROM** Natural Resources Officer

The Provincial Environment and

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR THE AMMENDMENT OF TARGET FOR THE ISSUANCE OF RESIDENTIAL FREE

PATENTS FOR CY-2020

This refers to the 890 residential free patents assigned to PENRO Palawan for CY-2020 Work and Financial Plan. Initially this target is purely residential free patent (RFP) and does not include Agricultural patent.

On July 6, 2020we received information from the Planning Management Division that 924 agricultural patents is added to our 890 target Residential Free Patent, hence we now have a total of 1,814 patents to accomplish for six (6) months period.

Considering of the present health crisis in Palawan due to Covid 19 Pandemic and in compliance with the guidelines under DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2020-05 dated May 12, 2020 by the Honorable Secretary Roy A. Cimatu, the additional 924 agricultural patents cannot be accomplishedue to limited time as well as the compliance to requirements under Department Memorandum Circular No. 2019-10 dated December 11, 2019.

In this regard, we reiterate our previous request to stick to the residential free patents and to include incoming Agricultural Patents application as part of the 890 Residential Free Patents.

For your kind consideration and approval on the matter.

ERIBERTO B. SAÑOS, CESE

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Annex

DENR MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2019 - <sup>10</sup>

DEC 1 1 2019

SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL PROCEDURES ON THE ISSUANCE, PROCESSING, AND APPROVAL OF SURVEY AUTHORITY, SURVEY PLANS, AND PUBLIC LAND APPLICATIONS (PLAS) COVERING LOTS IN THE PROVINCES OF SARANGANI, SOUTH COTABATO AND PALAWAN

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 192 or the Reorganization Act of DENR, which mandates the Land Management Bureau (LMB) to recommend policies and programs for the efficient and effective administration, survey, management and disposition of alienable and disposable lands of the public domain and other lands outside the responsibilities of other government agencies, the following procedures are hereby prescribed for the guidance of all concerned:

SECTION 1. Basic Policy. It is the policy of the State to ensure the efficient conservation, management, development, safety, security, equitable distribution and use of the country's environment and natural resources.

SECTION 2. Objective. This Circular aims to provide a standard supplemental procedure in the issuance, processing, and approval of survey authority, survey plans and public land applications.

SECTION 3. Scope and Coverage. This Circular shall apply to all subsisting and new requests for issuance of survey authority, approval of survey plans and PLAs covering alienable and disposable lands in the provinces of Sarangani (except for certain Group Settlement Surveys), South Cotabato, and Palawan.

SECTION 4. Procedures. The following procedures in the issuance, processing, and approval of survey authority, survey plans and public land applications are hereby prescribed:

### 4.1 Preliminary Activities

- a. The concerned Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) through the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) shall prepare and submit to the Regional Office a complete inventory list of all subsisting survey authority requests, survey plans and pending PLAs within fifteen (15) working days from issuance of this Circular. The PENRO and CENRO shall also attach a certification that the lots covered therein are within alienable and disposable (A&D) land. The templates for the Inventory and the Certification are attached as Annexes "A" and "B", respectively.
- b. Thereafter, the Surveys and Mapping Division (SMD) of the Regional Office shall confirm that the lands subject of such pending requests or applications are within A&D land. The template for the Confirmation of Land Classification is attached as Annex "C".

- c. All maps and plans, including Land Classification Maps shall be reflected and form as an integral layer of the Digital Cadastral Database (DCDB) under the Land Administration and Management System (LAMS) Philippines.
- 4.2 Processing of Requests for Survey Authority/Order

In addition to the existing procedures, the following activities shall be undertaken as indispensable requirements:

- a. Investigation shall be conducted by the duly designated representatives from the CENRO. They shall prepare and submit a report to the CENRO within three (3) working days from the termination of the investigation. The CENRO shall evaluate, approve, and transmit the report to the PENRO. The PENRO shall evaluate, approve, and transmit the report to the Regional Office within five (5) working days upon its receipt. The report shall contain the following:
  - 1. Geo-tagged photographs of the subject property; and
  - Categorical findings and recommendations that the land is within A&D land.

The templates of the report and the transmittals from CENRO to PENRO and from PENRO to the Regional Office are attached as Annexes "D", "E", and "F", respectively.

- b. The SMD of the Regional Office shall counter-check the data with its Cadastral Index Map (CIM), Land Classification Map (LCM), and DCDB to determine the status of the land whether it is covered by tenurial instrument or any other public land application, or the classification of the land.
- c. The Assistant Regional Director (ARD) for Technical Services shall issue a clearance upon evaluation and recommendation of the Chief, SMD. The template of the Clearance is attached as Annex "G".
- d. The CENRO or the ARD for Technical Services shall thereafter issue the Survey Authority upon receipt of the clearance for areas measuring twelve (12) hectares and below, and above twelve (12) hectares, respectively.
- e. The following documents are required to support the request for Survey Authority:
  - Latest tax declaration duly certified by the City/Municipal Assessor, if applicable;
  - Land Registration Authority and Regional Trial Court/Municipal Trial Court Clearances, if applicable;
  - Notarized Barangay Certification of the applicant's actual residence, issued by the Barangay Chairperson;
  - Sworn Affidavit of two (2) disinterested persons (residents of the same barangay where the lot is located), attesting that the applicant is the actual occupant or possessor of the lot; and
  - 5. Any government-issued identification card.

### 4.3 Approval of Survey Plans

The approval of the survey plans shall pass through the LAMS Philippines. The certification of land classification status shall be annotated in the plan.

# 4.4 Processing and Approval of PLAs

In addition to existing guidelines in the processing and approval of PLAs, the following shall be observed:

- The projection of the Regulation and Permitting Section (RPS) of the CENR Office on the classification of the land shall be evaluated, approved and transmitted by the CENRO to the PENRO. The PENRO, upon receipt thereof shall likewise evaluate, approve, and transmit the projection to the Regional Office through the SMD. The templates for the Certifications are attached as Annexes "H" and "I".
- The ARD for Technical Services shall issue a clearance upon evaluation and recommendation of the Chief, SMD. The template for the Clearance is attached as Annex "J".
- The CENRO shall thereafter continue processing the PLA pursuant to the Manual for Land Disposition.
- The documents under item 4.2.e are also required to support the PLAs. However, the applicant shall submit only the lacking requirement.

The confirmation by the Regional Office on the land classification shall no longer be required for lots issued with Survey Authority that have been previously issued clearance by the Regional Office. The Clearance issued by the Regional Office shall be attached in the carpeta.

SECTION 5. Applicability of Joint Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2012. In cases where the land falls under Ancestral Domain/Lands, the provision under Section 13, Article V of JAO No. 1 is adopted to minimize occurrence of overlaps with the jurisdiction of DENR, LRA, DAR, and NCIP.

SECTION 6. Monitoring. In order to ensure compliance with the above procedure, the following monitoring activities shall be undertaken:

- 6.1 All activities under this procedure shall be monitored, jointly or separately, by the Regional Office and the LMB;
- 6.2 The concerned PENRO shall submit a monthly status report to the Regional Office, to reflect the actions taken on the lots covered in the inventory list under 4.1.a which shall be the basis of the latter's compliance report to be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Field Operations Luzon/Mindanao copy furnished LMB. The templates for the Status Report and Transmittal are attached as Annexes "K" and "L", respectively; and
- 6.3 All the above activities shall be undertaken through or reflected in the LAMS Philippines pursuant to its guidelines.

SECTION 7. Enforcement. The Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services shall be responsible in ensuring that no misrepresentation on the classification of land will occur.

<sup>\*</sup>Clarifying and interfacing the respective jurisdiction, policies, programs and projects of the Department of Agrarian Reform, DENR, Land Registration Authority, and National Commission on Indigenous Peoples

SECTION 8. Penal Clause. Any person who violates this Circular shall be charged with administrative and criminal case subject to the existing laws and policies on the matter.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause. If any part or provision of this Circular is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. All orders, circulars, memoranda and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, amended and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Effectivity. This Circular shall take effect upon acknowledgment of receipt of a copy hereof by the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR) and fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ROY A. CIMATU Secretary



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