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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **MR. FELIX S. MIRASOL JR., CESO IV**
OIC Regional Executive Director
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FROM : The Director

SUBJECT : **ASEAN CONFERENCE ON MEDICINAL FOREST TREES
FOR CY 2023 TO BE HOSTED BY ERDB**

The Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB), the research arm of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) of the Philippines, will be hosting the *ASEAN Conference on Medicinal Forest Trees* (ACMFT) on September 4 – 8, 2023, in Clark, Pampanga, Philippines (inclusive of travel time). ACMFT aims to bring together people such as academics, researchers, business owners, entrepreneurs, students, members of government and non-government organizations, and other stakeholders to discuss opinions, exchange ideas, and share experiences encountered, as well as the results of studies and researches conducted in all aspects involving medicinal forest trees and other non-timber forest species. It shall also serve as an avenue to present and discuss recent innovations, trends, and concerns, as well as practical challenges encountered and solutions adopted in the field of medication involving medicinal forest trees and non-timber species inside the forest. The conference will have paper and poster presentations revolving around the following themes: **Taxonomy and Ecology of Medicinal Forest Trees and non-timber species inside the forest; Roles and Importance of Biotechnology; Indigenous and Traditional Knowledge Systems; and Policy Studies on Medicinal Forest Trees and non-timber species inside the forest.**

In line with this, we recognize the relevance of this conference to the programs, projects, and activities of your office. Thus, we are extending our warm invitation to you for the upcoming ACMFT on September 5-6, 2023. ERDB will shoulder the food and accommodation expenses during the said conference. Attached is the copy of the tentative program for your ready reference.

If you have further clarifications, please contact our office at 536 – 2229/2269 or through e-mail at acmpconference2023@erdb.denr.gov.ph.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.


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