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FOREST MANAGEMENT BUREAU

## **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The Regional Executive Directors

Regions 2, 4B, 8, 10, 11, and 13

**FROM** 

The OIC-Assistant Secretary for Field Operations- Western Mindanao

and Director, in concurrent capacity

SUBJECT

CONDUCT OF MONITORING, EVALUATION, VALIDATION AND DATA GATHERING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DENR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (DAO) NO. 04 SERIES OF 1989 OR THE REVISED REGULATIONS GOVERNING RATTAN RESOURCES AND DENR MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR (DMC) NO. 08 SERIES OF 2001 OR THE RENEWAL OF EXPIRED

RATTAN CUTTING CONTRACTS

DATE

JUL 06 2023

In line with the mandate of this Bureau to provide technical guidance to the Central and Field Offices, and recommend policies and programs towards the achievement of sustainable forest management, we will be conducting a technical monitoring, evaluation, validation, and data gathering on the issued Rattan Cutting Contracts (RCCs) of the selected DENR Regional Offices. These activities shall be conducted for purposes of policy enhancement and development for rattan resources.

In this regard, may we request your assistance in the conduct of said activities, particularly in the preparation of the necessary documents such as Rattan Cutting Contracts (RCCs), inventory/reports and any other documents pertaining to rattan resources. May we also request for representative(s) from your Licenses, Patents and Deeds Division (LPDD), Enforcement Division (ED) and PENRO/CENRO to accompany the team in doing these activities. Moreover, we will appreciate receiving suggestions and recommendations that you think might improve the existing guidelines on rattan resources.

For. Josefina M. Ocampo or the staff of Forest Resource Use and Assessment Section (FRUAS) with telephone number (02) 8927-8127 and e-mail address at <a href="mailto:fruas@fmb.denr.gov.ph">frmd.fruas@fmb.denr.gov.ph</a> will be coordinating with your Office for the details and other queries/clarifications on the matter.

FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.

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#### **RATIONALE**

The Forest Management Bureau (FMB) is mandated to recommend and develop policies towards the achievement of sustainable forest management.

Pursuant to PD No. 705, as amended, DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 04, Series of 1989 or the *Revised Regulations Governing Rattan Resources* was issued as a tool to economic recovery and national security. Relatedly, succeeding issuances were issued to support the implementation said Order:

- DMC No. 08, Series of 2001 or the *Renewal of Expired Rattan Cutting Contracts* provides guidance in ensuring the sustainable productivity of and equal access to the rattan resources.
- DMC No. 15 dated 2 August 1990 or the *Updating of Cost Estimates for the Establishment and Development of Rattan Plantation by Contract and Administration* sets the maximum allowable cost for the establishment and development of rattan plantation by contract and administration using seedlings and/or wildlings.
- DMC No. 04 dated 27 April 1998 or the *Guidelines and Procedures in the Collection, Utilization and Management of Rattan Special Deposit* provides guidelines and procedures on the collection, utilization and management of Rattan Special Deposit.

Given that said rules and regulations were issued way back, there is a need to appraise the harmonization of policies on rattan resources to come up with updates that would respond to recent developments and current situations vis-à-vis establishment of rattan plantations, gathering/harvesting, cutting and transport of rattan resources.

As part of its mandate, the FMB shall be conducting a technical monitoring, evaluation, validation and data gathering relative to the implementations of aforesaid policies/guidelines. The suggestions and recommendations of the regional and field offices, including the stakeholders, shall be considered in the enhancement of the existing guidelines on rattan resources. The crafting of policy will be initiated by the Forest Resource Use and Assessment Section (FRUAS) of the Forest Resources Management Division (FRMD).

## **OBJECTIVES**

The technical monitoring, evaluation, validation, and data gathering aims to assess the overall implementation of DAO No. 04, Series of 1989 and related policies to come up with substantial recommendations crucial for the enhancement of the said policy.

### **METHODOLOGY**

The FRUAS shall lead the conduct of monitoring, evaluation, validation, data gathering. The section shall organize a team composed of a minimum of two (2) personnel, members of which may also come from the Community Forestry Section considering that most of the sites to be validated are within the CBFM areas. The activity will be conducted simultaneously in selected regions in Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao. Specifically, the activity will assess the implementation of DAO No. 04 in terms of required application documents, scope, and coverage of the RCC and other provisions of the said policies, including compliance of the permittees to the terms and conditions stipulated in the permits, and the needed updates thereof.

Below are the procedures that will be followed during the conduct of the activity:

- 1. The team shall conduct courtesy calls with DENR Regional Officials and concerned Field Office personnel or representatives for briefing on how the activity will be undertaken.
- 2. The team will conduct a document review of all issued Rattan Cutting Contracts (RCCs) and their documentary requirements within the subject region together with the compliance of the permittees to the terms and conditions stipulated therein.
- 3. Out of the approved RCCs, the team will select sample sites that will be subjected to validation and data gathering. This will involve consultation meetings/ focus group discussions with the People's Organizations (POs) and other stakeholders.
- 4. The team shall prepare a list of observations and comments on all site validated permits.
- 5. All information and data will be compiled, analyzed, and processed for the Field Exit Conference with the Regional Executive Director.

After the monitoring and data gathering activities, FRUAS will analyze the data collected and shall conduct consultation with the concerned FMB divisions/offices prior to drafting a policy enhancement of DAO No. 04, Series of 1989.

## TRAVEL PLAN (FRMD-FRUAS)

Activity per Approved 2023 WFP	Personnel	Area	Target Date	No. of Days
Draft Policy on DAO No. 04, series of	Josefina M. Ocampo Almar B. Quintana	Region 13	July 24-30, 2023	7
1989 of the Revised Evaluations Governing Rattan Resources and DMC No. 08, series of 2001 or the Renewal	Marlon M. Atienza Josefina M. Ocampo Joshua S. Saluria and Driver	Region 2	August 7-13, 2023	7
	Luimyla Valente-Peña Jessica R. Balite	R4-B and Region 11	July 31-August 6, 2023 August 14-20, 2023	7

of Expired Rattan Cutting Contracts	Almar B. Quintana Adrian Vincent D. De Luna	Regions 10 and 8	August 7-13, 2023 Aug. 29-Sept. 3, 2023	7
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## **BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS**

Particulars	Computation	Total	Remarks
Per diem	R13 (1500*7)-750*2	19,500	
	R11 (1800*7)-900*2	23,400	
	R8 (1500*7)-750*2	19,500	
	R2 (1500*7)-750*4	39,000	
	R10 (1800*7)-900*2	23,400	
	R4B (2200*7)-1100 *2	28,600	
		153,400	
Airfare	12,000*10	120,000	
Land transportation	(2,000*10) + (1,000*4)	24,000	For cash advance
Meetings with POs	22,000*6	132,000	For cash
(One (1) meeting per	Food for 16 pax (am,		advance
region for the six (6)	lunch, pm)		
regions)	1,325 for 3 days *16 pax		
Total		429,400.00	

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