



## Inquiry on Clearances to Renew Quarry Permits in Coron, Palawan

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### The Regional Director

Mines and Geosciences Bureau Region IV-B  
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Dear Sir,

Kindly see the herein electronic mail of **Mr. Jorge Paterno** pertaining to his inquiry if CENRO Coron is allowed to stop the issuance of quarry permits as the latter allegedly instructed the PCSDS to not issued a Zoning Clearance needed by Sand and Gravel Quarries as the subject area is within the Busuanga Pasture Reserve.

Please inform the party/ies concerned of any action taken on the subject matter, furnishing this Office thru the Action Center Email: [actioncenter@denr.gov.ph](mailto:actioncenter@denr.gov.ph), for monitoring/reference purposes. Expeditious action is required pursuant to **Republic Act No. 11032**, otherwise known as the **Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018** as implemented and enforced by the Anti-Red Tape Authority. Failure to timely respond to the public's concern shall be grounds for administrative sanctions under existing laws and regulations.

Thank you and best regards.

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From: **Jorge Paterno** <[jorgepaterno58@gmail.com](mailto:jorgepaterno58@gmail.com)>

Date: Wed, Oct 18, 2023 at 12:13 PM

Subject: Clearances to Renew Quarry Permits in Coron, Palawan

To: [actioncenter@denr.gov.ph](mailto:actioncenter@denr.gov.ph) <[actioncenter@denr.gov.ph](mailto:actioncenter@denr.gov.ph)>

Dear Madam Secretary,

The OIC CENRO for the Calamianes has instructed the PCSDS in Coron not to issue a Zoning Clearance needed by Sand and Gravel Quarries for the annual renewal of extraction permits.

The CENRO has cited that the sand and gravel quarries along the Labangan River is inside the Busuanga Pasture Reserve, hence, is prohibited.

Local Sand and Gravel provideuch needed jobs. Even constructions are effected. As it were, sand here comes from Mindoro and is supplied only by a single entity who seems bent in controlling the business.

So, may I request the Central Office clarification if the BPR Team at the CENRO office here is allowed to stop issuance of quarry permits and hold the whole island hostage? FYI, Under present rules, the MGB represents the DENR in the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board.

Your immediate action is very much appreciated. Thank you.

Truly yours,

Jorge C. Paterno  
Coron, Palawan



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