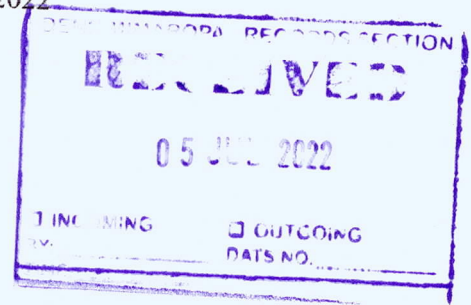




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June 1, 2022

MS. FLORIFE C. PEROL
Sitio Maasim, Brgy. Payompon,
Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro



Dear Ms. Perol,

Good day!

This refers to your complaint lodged thru 8888 Citizen's Complaint with Reference No. G20220516-764-7 regarding your request for information on the parcels of land, under survey plan Psu-121137, more particularly identified as Lot No. 257-258-8, F-045106-313 and Lot No.415, located in Sitio Maasim, Brgy. Payompon, Mamburao, Occ. Mindoro.

Relative thereto, please be informed that the above-mentioned lots are now the subject of a civil case filed before the Municipal Trial Court of Mamburao, Occ. Mindoro. Therefore, matters which are clearly under the jurisdiction of the court, restricts one from making comments and disclosures under the *sub-judice* rule. Nobody, including an administrative officer of a government agency has the power to interfere on the matter by way of public clamor or statements in order to avoid prejudging the issues, or influencing the court in the administration of justice. Any violation of this rule may render one liable for indirect contempt of the court.

Furthermore, documents on all public land applications are restricted and confidential documents which may be solely available to concerned DENR Officials/personnel and therefore, cannot be accessed, handled, reproduced by *unauthorized persons*. Data or information submitted by DENR clientele concerning their land applications and other pertinent documents are classified as *confidential documents*. Disclosure of such information rests on the discretion of the Secretary of DENR and his designated officer, or upon the order of the court of law.

In view thereof, it is with deep sadness that your request cannot be granted. We hope that you are informed/enlightened regarding the said policy of the DENR on the release and disclosure of restricted information.

Very truly yours,

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OIC- PENR Officer

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