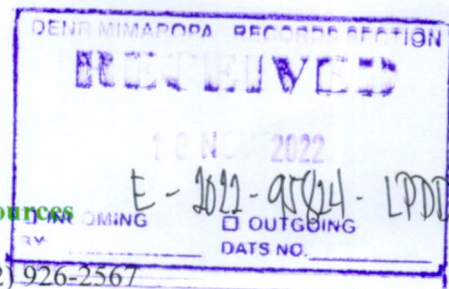




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FOR : **THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
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FROM : **THE CHIEF OF STAFF**
Office of the Undersecretary for Field Operations –
Luzon, Visayas and Environment

SUBJECT : **APPEAL OF THE MAYOR OF SAN VICENTE, PALAWAN FOR
ASSISTANCE AND INTERVENTION TO STOP THE ILLEGAL
TITLING OF THE MUNICIPAL-OWNED AGRICULTURAL LAND IN
BRGY. KEMDENG, SAN VICENTE, PALAWAN**

DATE : **NOV 04 2022**

This pertains to the Memorandum dated 26 October 2022 from the Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, referring the attached letter of Mayor Amy Roa Alvarez of the Municipality of San Vicente, Palawan, regarding the above-mentioned subject.

May we refer the matter for your appropriate action in accordance with the existing laws, rules and regulations. Kindly furnish this Office and the parties concerned of the action taken citing document tracking no. DENR-ASRMD-2022-003091 for record and monitoring purposes.


ATTY. RICKY A. ARZADON, CESO IV

Encls.: as stated

cc: Mayor Amy Roa Alvarez
MLGU Complex, Brgy. Poblacion
San Vicente, Palawan

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FROM : **The Undersecretary and Chief of Staff**

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FOR ASSISTANCE AND INTERVENTION TO STOP THE
ILLEGAL TITLINGS IN THE MUNICIPAL-OWNED
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VICENTE, PALAWAN**

Respectfully referred, for information and appropriate action, is the attached letter from Mayor Amy Roa Alvarez of the Municipality of San Vicente, Palawan appealing for DENR assistance and intervention to stop the indiscriminate and surreptitious titling of Municipal-owned, possessed, and occupied agricultural lands in Brgy. Kemdeng, San Vicente, Palawan.

In this regard, please inform Mayor Alvarez and the undersigned of any action taken on the subject matter.


MARILOU G. ERNI

cc: HON. AMY ROA ALVAREZ
Mayor
Municipality of San Vicente, Palawan
MLGU Complex, Brgy. Poblacion



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OCT 26 2022

HON. AMY ROA ALVAREZ
Mayor
Municipality of San Vicente, Palawan
MLGU Complex, Brgy. Poblacion

Dear **Mayor Alvarez**:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter appealing for DENR assistance and intervention to stop the indiscriminate and surreptitious titling of Municipal-owned, possessed, and occupied agricultural lands in Brgy. Kemdeng, San Vicente, Palawan.

In this regard, please be informed that we have referred your request to the Undersecretary for Field Operations – Luzon, Visayas, and Environment for appropriate action and to provide you with their actions taken on the subject matter. Your office may also directly coordinate with said office at telephone number (02) 8925-2328 for the latest updates.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


MARILOU G. ERNI

Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

Letter-PGP-Request for Assistance-CBDC Property

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Tue, Oct 4, 2022 at 12:02 PM

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28 September 2022

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Dear **Secretary Loyzaga**:

May I respectfully furnish your office scanned copy of the letter of Mayor Amy Roa Alvarez requesting the assistance and intervention of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to abate the indiscriminate and surreptitious titling of Municipal-owned, possessed and occupied agricultural lands in Brgy. Kemdeng, San Vicente, Palawan. The attached letter also expresses the LGU's formal opposition to any pending application for titling of any portion of the subject land legally belonging to the local government.

Kindly see attached file for your information, guidance and appropriate action, and acknowledge the receipt of this email.

Thank you and best regards.

By the authority of the Mayor:

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Amy Roa Alvarez
Municipal Mayor

28 September 2022

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Dear Secretary Loyzaga:

This is an urgent appeal for your intervention to abate the indiscriminate and surreptitious titling of Municipal-owned, possessed and occupied agricultural lands in San Vicente Palawan. This also expresses our formal opposition to any pending application for titling of any portion of the subject land legally belonging to the local government.

The Municipality owns and possess a block of alienable and disposable agricultural land located in Barangay Kemdeng measuring about two hundred hectares. The block is not yet titled in the name of the Municipality. The Municipality started acquiring the parcels that make up this block as early as 1992 through Sangguniang Bayan Resolution No. 49, S-1992 for the purpose of partnering with the Department of Agriculture for the establishment of a Provincial Carabao Breeding and Dairy Center or CBDC to be built and operated in the subject land. The block was to serve as counterpart of the Municipality for the nationally-funded project and where the carabaos are to be bred, weaned and fed prior to dispersal to the neighboring Palawan municipalities for the use of farmers. The CBDC Project was implemented and operated for a number of years. A huge



portion of the subject land was fenced off, maintained and guarded by the Municipality up to this day. Presently, it serves as grazing land for our cattle, goat and other livestock. We intend to keep and preserve the Municipality's ownership, occupation and possession of the block and have it titled in the name of the Municipality.

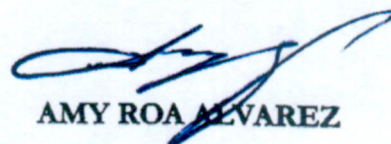
A few weeks ago, we drove away several individuals who entered the property without permission and began building the foundations of a structure. Our staff were informed by the trespassers that they own the area and that they have already filed an application for titling. Upon further investigation, we discovered that despite the control, possession and occupation by the Municipality of the CBDC for the last thirty (30) years, not only are there private claims within the area but also portions with title in the name of private individuals. This is highly irregular considering that the area is fenced and notoriously known by the public to be owned by the Municipality. Despite these so called red flags, it would therefore appear that the personnel who processed the application conspired with those who perpetrated the illegal titling of certain parcels of the CBDC to deprive the Municipality of its rightful ownership.

In light of these, we respectfully request admission of our opposition to the application for titling by any individual purporting to own any parcel of land within the CBDC and the consequent denial of any and all application. We also request technical and legal assistance so that we can pursue the appropriate administrative or judicial action for the cancellation of any title issued within the CBDC. We also earnestly request the same assistance so that we can proceed with our application for the titling of the CBDC in the name of the Municipality.

Trusting in your most favorable consideration.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



AMY ROA ALVAREZ

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