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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** 

The Regional Executive Director

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Ermita, Manila

THRU

The OIC, ARD for Technical Services

**FROM** 

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT** 

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CBFM-CARP AWARDED TO

**CBFM-POs BACUNGAN** MANGROVE **ECO-TOURISM** SERVICE COOPERATIVE (BMETSC) AND SALVACION

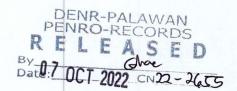
PAGKAKAISA, INC. (SPPI) FOR CY 2022

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum dated September 21, 2022 of CENRO Puerto Princesa City, Palawan with attached progress report dated September 21, 2022 of CBFM-CARP Project CY 2017 namely; Bacungan Mangrove-Ecotourism Service Cooperative (BMETSC) and Salvacion Pagkakaisa Pangkalikasan Inc (SPPI).

For information and record.

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Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA Region

# COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE Puerto Princesa City

September 21, 2022

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**MEMORANDUM** 

**FOR** : The Regional Executive Director

**DENR MIMAROPA** 

1515 L&S Building Roxas Boulevard

Ermita, Manila

THRU: The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

**FROM** : The OIC-Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT : PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CBFM-CARP AWARDED

TO CBFM-POS BACUNGAN MANGROVE ECO-TOURISM SERVICE COOPERATIVE (BMETSC) AND SALVACION PAGKAKAISA PANGKALIKASAN, INC.

(SPPI) FOR CY 2022

Respectfully forwarding the progress report on the CBFM-CARP awarded to CBFM-POs Bacungan Mangrove Eco-Tourism Service Cooperative (BMETSC) and Salvacion Pagkakaisa Pangkalikasan, Inc. (SPPI) for CY 2022.

For information and record.

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**MEMORANDUM** 

FOR

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

FROM : Forester I/ CBFM Desk Officer

Conservation and Development Section

SUBJECT: PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CBFM-CARP AWARDED

TO CBFM-PO BACUNGAN MANGROVE ECO-TOURISM SERVICE COOPERATIVE (BMETSC) AND

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SALVACION PAGKAKAISA PANGKALIKASAN, INC.

(SPPI) FOR CY 2022

On CY 2017, both the CBFM-POs Bacungan Mangrove Eco-Tourism Service Cooperative (BMETSC) and the Salvacion Pagkakaisa Pangkalikasan, Inc. (SPPI) were both awarded with CBFM-CARP Projects.

## Bacungan Mangrove Eco-Tourism Service Cooperative

The CBFM-PO BMETSC, located at Sitio San Carlos, Brgy. Bacungan, Puerto Princesa City, was awarded with the CBFM-CARP entitled Enrichment of Bacauan (Mangrove) and Culture of Mud Crab (Portunidas) in Pen and Cages Livelihood Project. The target area for the mangrove enrichment is ten (10) hectares. The budget for the whole project totals to P414, 980.00.

BMETSC was able to accomplish the particulars for the second 2<sup>nd</sup> billing which according to the progress billing are as follows:

### Mangrove Enrichment

- a. Procurement of Planting Materials;
- b. Plantation Establishment; and
- c. Motorized Banca

During the conduct of inspection for the third billing, BMETSC was able to accomplish the particulars for structure development of the crab pen which are as follows: (1) Fattening area; (2) Mud Crab Stocking; (3) Feeds/Maintenance; and (4) 2 Units of Crab Pen. However, for the mangrove enrichment, the IAC observed that there was little to no survival of the bakawan planted thus, the need for replanting and replacement. BMETSC informed the IAC team that the planted mangroves were washed out due to strong waves. The PO then submitted a promissory letter on August 28, 2018 promising to replant and replace the mangroves for enrichment and also to increase the crab pen and mudcrab stocking using the payment for the third billing. They were then allowed to receive payment for the third billing.

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For the fourth billing, BMETSC was able to maintain the fattening area but had difficulty in their supply of mud crab stocking because according to then Chairperson Soledad Ibrahim, their contact person/supplier from Quezon, Palawan already moved to Brooke's Point, Palawan. Also, their replanted mangroves were once again washed out. The PO was advised to find another area suitable for enrichment wherein survival can be assured.

The BMETSC identified another area much suitable for enrichment. Sometime in November 2021, this Office also extended assistance to the PO to facilitate the payment of their 5th billing by providing approximately 260 additional mangrove seedlings. The members conducted planting activities for the CARP mangrove enrichment. However, on December 2021, typhoon Odette hit the area and the replanted seedlings were once again washed out and/or uprooted. On August 2022, according to the members, they have not visited and the replanted seedlings after Typhoon Odette.

Further, the CBFM-PO is currently undergoing transition as they have elected a new set of officers. The new CBFM Chairperson Marlon Tamsi communicated with this Office that they will prioritize the CARP Project. He also queried if it is possible to claim the 5<sup>th</sup> billing so that they can use it to purchase necessary items for them to be able to accomplish the 10hasmangrove enrichment and to also repair their damaged crab pens and to purchase crablets.

On August 22, 2022, FMB, CARP and DENR MIMAROPA Personnel conducted an assessment on the progress of the CARP Project of BMETSC. During the conduct of said activity, the members signified their commitment to accomplish the remaining particulars for the mangrove enrichment. This office also signified support and assistance to provide seedlings, if needed.



Photo 1. Image showing the conduct of assessment/interview of FMB, CARP, and DENR MIMAROPA personal with the BMETSC members at Sitio San Carlos, Barangay Bacungan, Puerto Princesa City



Photo 2. Image showing the conduct of assessment/interview of FMB, CARP, DENR MIMAROPA personal with the BMETSC members at Sitio San Carlos, Barangay Bacungan, Puerto Princesa City



Photo 3. Image showing FMB, CARP, DENR MIMAROPA personnel with the BMETSC members at Sitio San Carlos, Barangay Bacungan, Puerto Princesa City

## Salvacion Pagkakaisa Pangkalikasan, Inc.

Salvacion Pagkakaisa Pangkalikasan, Inc. (SPPI) has been awarded with the CBFMA on June 7, 2000 with a total area of 602.53 hectares. Sometime in 2017, SPPI has been granted with the CBFM-CARP Project entitled **Agro-Forestry Plantation in Combination with Cashew and Fuel Wood Plantation.** The details of the project is shown below:

Project Title	Agro-Forestry Plantation in Combination with Cashew and Fuel Wood Plantation
Project Location	Barangay Salvacion, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan
Target Area for development	55 has.
Total Project Cost	P 801, 035.00

In implementing the CBFM-CARP, SPPI applied the family approach system by assigning portions of the project to individual members. However, due to internal dispute among members, the implementation of per member approach did not prosper. As a result, Chairperson Norberto Diasanta took the initiative to continue the project since the members assigned to different areas did not continue with the assigned tasks in their specific area of assignment.

SPPI was able to accomplish the particulars from the 2<sup>nd</sup> billing to the 4<sup>th</sup> billing. However, upon conduct of perimeter survey of the project area, it was found out that the total developed area only totaled to forty-six (46) hectares which showed a lacking 9 hectares.

According to Chairperson Diasanta, during the height of the lockdown due to the Covid-19 pandemic, they were not able to visit the area for the duration of CY 2020 due to the restrictions implemented by the government. However, in CY 2021, they continued to develop the area again but in December 2021, Typhoon Odette struck Puerto Princesa City and the project area was heavily damaged.

On August 5, 2022, during the conduct of CBFM Compliance monitoring and CARP monitoring, it was found out that the CARP area lacks maintenance and protection as it was stuffy and there were only a few planted trees observed.



Photo 4. Aerial photo of the SPPI CBFM-CARP area



Photo 5. Aerial photo of the SPPI CBFM-CARP area taken during the conduct of Compliance Monitoring on August 5, 2022



Photo 6. Aerial photo of the SPPI CBFM-CARP area taken during the conduct of Compliance Monitoring on August 5, 2022

In view of the abovementioned circumstances, it is recommended that the POs be allowed to claim their 5<sup>th</sup> billing or retention fee due to the fortuitous event Typhoon Odette that prevented them in complying and satisfying the particulars required for the said billing. By allowing the POs to claim their remaining billing, it will serve as a support for their recoupment.

For information and record.

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