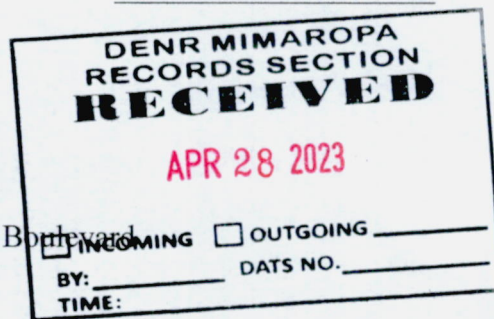




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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
MIMAROPA Region
1515 By the Bay Building, Roxas Boulevard
Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU : The ARD, Technical Services

FROM : The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT : PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED PARTICIPATORY
COMMUNITY-BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT
AGREEMENTS (CBFMA) HOLDER PERFORMANCE
EVALUATION AS A REQUIREMENT FOR THE RENEWAL OF
EXPIRING CBFMAs IN THE PROVINCE OCCIDENTAL
MINDORO

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum dated March 28, 2023 of CENRO Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro relative to their submission of progress on the conduct of performance assessment/evaluation of the two (2) expiring Community Based Forest Management Agreement(CBFMA) namely: Forest Conserver and Developers Association, Inc. and Barangay Farmers Association, Inc, both within the Administrative Jurisdiction of CENRO Sablayan.

Please be informed, that based on the result of the field observation and review of records using the Performance Evaluation Tool, the PO Forest Conserver and Developers Association, Inc. should assume responsibility for the protection of the entire forestlands within their awarded CBFM area. On the part of Barangay Farmers Association, Inc., The PO is advised to re-organize its sets of officers and updating the list of members. A benefit sharing mechanism through a PO resolution with the approval of General membership should be crafted and must be indicated in their CRMF.

The final and official result of the CBFM-Performance Evaluation Team including its categorical recommendations as well as the copy of the accomplished Performance Evaluation Tool as attachment will be submitted to the office of the Regional Executive Director.

Attached herewith the Narrative report of milestone activity and geo-tagged photo documentation for your ready reference.

For your information and further instruction.


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March 28, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR, MIMAROPA Region
Ermita, Manila

THRU : The OIC, PENR Officer
Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

FROM : The CENR Officer

SUBJECT : **PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY- BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (CBFMA) HOLDER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AS A REQUIREMENT FOR THE RENEWAL OF EXPIRING CBFMA'S IN THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO**

Respectfully forwarded herewith is the progress report of the Performance and Evaluation Team regarding the aforementioned CBFMA. This is in compliance with CY 2023 Work and Financial Plan on the Monitoring and Performance Evaluation of Tenurial Instruments.

Based on the results of the field observation and review of records using the Performance Evaluation Tool, the PO of Forest Conserver and Developers Association, Inc should immediately assume responsibility for the protection of the entire forestlands within the CBFMA area vs. illegal logging, unauthorized extraction of forest products, kaingin, forest/grassland fires and other forms of forest destruction, and assist DENR in the prosecution of violators of forestry and environmental laws. For the Barangay Farmers Association, Inc., the PO is advised to re-organize its set of officers and updating the list of members and to prepare a benefit-sharing mechanism, consulted during a GA meeting, and passed through a PO resolution. This should also be indicated in the CRMF.

Based on these findings, the CBFMA Holder did not fully execute the terms and conditions stipulated in the agreement particularly on the management conservation and protection of the CBFM Area.

The final and official result of the CBFM- Performance Evaluation Team, which includes its categorical recommendation/s, will be submitted to the Regional Executive Director. The copy of the accomplished Performance Evaluation Tool as attachment will be included on the final result.

For your information, evaluation, and further action, if any.

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March 27, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The CENR Officer

FROM : The CBFM Performance Evaluation Members
CENRO Sablayan

SUBJECT : **PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY- BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (CBFMA) HOLDER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AS A REQUIREMENT FOR THE RENEWAL OF EXPIRING CBFMA'S IN THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO**

Regional Performance Evaluation Team (PET) together with PENRO and CENRO representatives conducted participatory Community- Based Forest Management Agreement (CBFMA) holder performance evaluation as requirement for the renewal of expiring CBFMA's using Technical Bulletin No. 36.

This Technical Bulletin shall serve as a procedural guide in conducting a participatory evaluation of the performance of every CBFM People's Organization (CBFM-PO) based on its obligations as a CBFM holder. The CBFMA performance evaluation shall be carried out in a participatory manner to enable the involvement of CBFM-PO's, being the program recipient, in determining their compliance with their obligations as forest managers.

It shall also facilitate in assessing the appropriateness and effectiveness of the responsibilities undertaken by the government, as such also contributory to the level of performance of the tenure holders. Further, it shall serve as basis for the DENR in gathering facts before a renewal is granted.

BACKGROUND

Community Based Forest Management has been declared as the country's national strategy for sustainable forest management under Executive Order (EO) 263 (1995). DENR Administrative Order (DAO) 96-29 (1996) provides the Implementing Rules and Regulations of EO 263; paved the way for the granting of resource use rights to communities; allows the transfer of tenure as well as their limited division through such mechanisms as joint venture and contracting. DENR Memorandum Circular (MC) 97-12 (1997) adopts the DENR Strategic Action Plan for CBFM. Consistent with EO 263, LGU participation in CBFM implementation has been clarified, although the devolution of environment and natural resource functions has been partial (Brillantes 2000). Through forest land use planning, DENR DAO 96-29 envisions the DENR and LGUs to jointly "allocate" forests and forestlands through the issuance of CBFMAs, CSDCs and other forest management agreements reviewed and affirmation also by two parties.



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The **Forest Conserver and Developers Association, Inc.** is registered at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on November 3, 1999 under **SEC Registration No. 199902214**. A Community Based Forest Management (CBFMA) issued by the Regional Office in May 6, 1999 and to expire on May 6, 2024 under CBFMA Registration No **RIV-OCCMIN-CBFMA 99-03** with 101 registered members.

The **Barangay Farmers Association, Inc.** is registered at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on August 22, 1990 under **SEC Registration No. 180618**. A Community Based Forest Management (CBFMA) issued by the Regional Office in December 15, 1998 and to expire on December 15, 2023 under CBFMA Registration No **RIV-OCCMIN-CBFMA 98-02** with 27 registered members.

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION ACTIVITY

On March 13, 2023, the Entry Conference was conducted at PENRO Compound, Mamburao Occidental Mindoro. The Regional Performance Evaluation Team headed by SEMS, Margie C. Ochoa of Enforcement Division, members Elna Y. Yoo, Science Research Specialist II, Regional CBFM Coordinator, Maria Victoria D. Sario, Forester III, LPD Division and Lester John A. Estremera, ISA I, CDD together with the PENRO and CENRO representatives discussed their itinerary and how the assessment and evaluation be done to CBFM PO's officials. Also discussed in this conference is the use of CBFMA Holder Performance Evaluation Tool.

After the meeting, the Performance Evaluation Team (PET) from Regional Office, together with the representatives from PENRO and CENRO Sablayan, proceeded to Barangay Farmers Association Inc. located at Sitio Tuuyan, Barangay Balao, Abra de Ilog for the evaluation of the area.

On March 14, 2023, the evaluation of the area was conducted together with PO Chairperson Harold Castillo. During our evaluation, the team observed that some planted perennial agri-crops and fruit trees such as cashew, jackfruit, mango and coconut. Indigeneous species like Red Lauan and Narra, exotic trees like Gmelina and Non- timber forest products like Rattan and Bamboo were seen in the area.

The harvestable Gmelina and felled trees due to the previous typhoon were seen in the area. There are some illegal cuttings of Gmelina trees. However, when the PO Chairperson Harold Castillo was asked regarding the said cuttings, he was unaware of such.

It was also observed that no technologies were used to sustainably manage the areas designated for particular use.

On March 15, 2023 the Focus Group Discussion (FGD) was conducted. The FGD is the most intensive methodology in this evaluation. It shall be used in data gathering, data validation, firming up of data, including the exit conference.

Review of records was also conducted. All the records of the CBFM-PO in the CENRO, PENRO and Regional Office, and those with the PO must examine and noted with the PET-CBFM before FGD.



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After the performance evaluation at Barangay Farmers Association, Inc., the Team proceeded at the CBFMA area of Forest Conserver and Developers Association Inc. late in the afternoon of March 15, 2023.

The PO and BOD's of Forest Conserver prepared themselves for the interview. Also the Treasurer prepared the documents for review and examination of records.

Earlier of March 16, 2023, the team went to the CBFM Area for field observation and evaluation of projects. During the evaluation, the team observed that the livelihood adopted by the community was per household basis like planting of cash crops, banana in the highland and planting of rice in the low land. Said agricultural crops are the main source of livelihood of CBFM members.

The team found out that there was DBP project at the area. Unfortunately, portion of the said DBP forest was currently occupied by the Alangan Mangyan for more than 4 years now. They make kaingin, cut all trees including mangos and other fruit bearing trees claiming this portion of CBFM to be part of their approved CADT.

According to the PO Chairman, the DENR and NCIP conducted relocation survey to delineate the exact boundary. The result reflected that the squatted area within the CBFM is not a part of their CADT. Despite remedies are being explored to settle conflict between the group of Alangan Mangyan and the CBFM holders, the group of IPs still occupying and cultivating said portion of CBFMA. The NCIP also advise them to vacate the area but until now the conflict is still unsettled.

Also conducted the monitoring and evaluation of CARP Projects awarded to Forest Conserver Developers Association Inc. [Agroforestry Plantation with Backyard Gardening]. The reported backlog from the Mango commodity was already planted and the PO members already replanted the dead planted seedlings.

The team also helped the CBFMA to resolve the issues and concern regarding the benefit sharing of Carabao which is also a CARP Project.

March 17, 2023, the Focus Group Discussion was conducted and after the discussion the CENRO Sablayan Team back to official Station, whiles the PENRO and Regional Team proceeded to CENRO San Jose for the Performance Evaluation of expiring CBFMA within the CENRO San Jose jurisdiction.



