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May 30, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
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THRU : The OIC, ARD for Technical Services

FROM : The Provincial Environment and
Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT : IEC CONDUCTED RE: FOREST PROTECTION AND LAW
ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES OF DENR CENRO QUEZON
AMONG PUROK LEADERS, TRIBAL LEADERS, RESIDENTS
AND BARANGAY OFFICIALS OF PUNTA BAJA, RIZAL,
PALAWAN


Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum of CENRO Quezon, Palawan dated May 22, 2023 relative the above subject.

Per memorandum, CENRO Quezon conducted an Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign involving forest communities in forest protection and law enforcement on May 19, 2023 at Brgy. Punta Baja, Rizal, Palawan.


Further, the communities were informed of their kaingin preparation, in which setting of fire is traditionally undertaken to clear their kaingin area, the IPs were reminded and warned to be careful as it may cause forest fire.

For information and further instruction.

For the PENRO;


ALEXANDER E. MANCIO
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May 22, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM : The OIC, Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer and Concurrent PASu, MMPL

SUBJECT : **IEC CONDUCTED RE: FOREST PROTECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES OF DENR-CENRO QUEZON AMONG PUROK LEADERS, TRIBAL LEADERS, RESIDENTS AND BRGY OFFICIALS OF PUNTA BAJA, RIZAL, PALAWAN**

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Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum dated May 22, 2023 of Forester David E. Gallema, Jr. Chief, Monitoring and Enforcement Section (MES) of CENRO Quezon, Palawan relative to the above noted subject.

The information drive aims to enhance awareness of the local communities on the protection, conservation, management and development of natural resources including those within the CADC area. Further, the communities were informed of their kaingin preparation, in which setting of fire is traditionally undertaken to clear their kaingin area, the IPs were reminded and warned to be careful as it may cause forest fire.

For your information, reference and further instruction.




RENATO S. GONZAGA



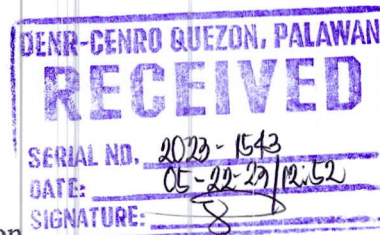
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May 22, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The OIC, Community Environment and
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FROM : David E. Gallema, Jr.
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SUBJECT : **IEC CONDUCTED RE: FOREST PROTECTION AND LAW
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In connection to the above-cited subject, hereunder are the details of the IEC conducted:

1. Reference:

The conduct of IEC is in response with the targets/activities reflected in the FY 2023 Work and Financial Plan wherein IEC with communities is one of the targets under Monitoring and Enforcement Section (MES) scheduled for the 2nd quarter of 2023.

Prior to the conduct of IEC, coordination with concerned Barangay officials was made informing them the topics and focus of the IEC which include the main issues and concerns on forest protection and law enforcement activities of DENR-CENRO Quezon.

2. IEC / Meeting:

- a. May 19, 2023 : Barangay Hall of Punta Baja, Rizal, Palawan
- b. Participants : Purok leaders, tribal leaders, residents and Barangay councils of Punta Baja, Rizal, Palawan
- c. IEC Team : MES Personnel together with DENR-Rizal Station

3. Collaborators:

- a. DENR CENRO Quezon - Monitoring and Enforcement Section (MES);
- b. Personnel of DENR-Rizal Station; and
- c. Barangay officials of Punta Baja, Rizal, Palawan.

4. Objectives:

- a. To inform the participants and increase their awareness about the overall functions of DENR and for them to know the key officials of DENR such as the secretary, the RED of MIMAROPA, the PENRO Palawan and the key officials of DENR-CENRO Quezon;
- b. To inform the participants the Vision, Mission and Mandate of DENR and to emphasize the Mission citing the importance of unity of every citizen in maintaining a healthy environment;
- c. To discuss existing laws/policies governing illegal logging, destruction of forest and kaingin making, illegal occupation of timberland, charcoal making, easement issues, illegal wildlife trade and forest fire;
- d. To inform the communities on the requirements and processing of application for tree cutting permit;

5. Major issues and concerns raised during IEC:

- a. Are they allowed to utilize/cut their planted trees within the CADC area?
- b. Are they allowed to engage in selling of round timbers?
- c. Are they allowed to engage in charcoal making (personal use and commercial purposes) in the forested area within the CADC?
- d. Are they (IPs) allowed to use timbers for their house construction/tribal hall and other related structures?
- e. Are they (IPs) allowed to open new areas/forest for kaingin making especially for those new couples?
- f. Can they be allowed to apply for lumber dealer permit?
- g. How to apply for tree cutting permit?

6. Significant point of discussions in response to the raised issues and concerns:

- a. For construction of tribal facility and related structure / houses, they were advised to coordinate to CENRO Quezon for proper advice and processing for tree cutting permit /utilization especially for their planted trees inside the CADC area in consonance to their approved Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Program (ADSDPP).
- b. In the issue of charcoal making and gathering/selling of round timbers, the IPs were asked if charcoal making and selling of round timbers are part of their rights, authority, cultural and indigenous practices as provided for under the IPRA Law, all of the tribal leaders responded that these are not part of their culture and tradition. With this, the IPs were advised not to adopt destructive practices which are not part of their cultural practices and tradition;
- c. The local communities (indigenous peoples) were informed that DENR recognizes their traditional means of farming which is the kaingin making. However, it was



emphasized and explicitly discussed that only those existing kaingin areas are allowed to be cleared and develop, the clearing/opening of new forested areas is strictly prohibited by law. Further, Section 9 (Chapter III) of R.A. 8371 (IPRA) was also discussed stating the responsibilities of ICCs/IPs to preserve, restore and maintain the ecological balance in the ancestral domain by protecting the natural resources therein and conduct rehabilitation of denuded areas;

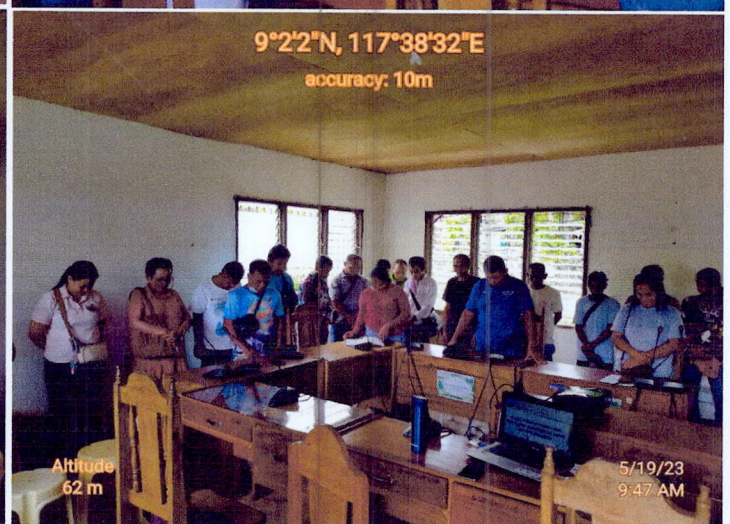
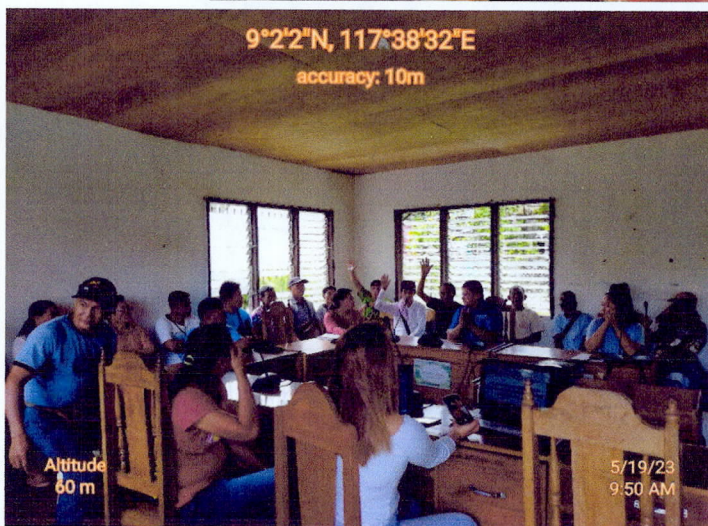
- d. Further, it was discussed that DENR recognizes the utilization of timbers for usual house construction in consonance with their existing culture and tradition provided that the house to be constructed is situated within the CADC area, provided further that they will not utilize chainsaws in cutting and preparing wood materials for construction especially if it is not registered and most of all the need to secure necessary permit. The IPs were informed that in spite of the rights and privileges provided with them under R.A. 8371 such as the right of ownership and right to develop land and natural resources, however, utilization of timbers and other forest products/resources are still regulated by existing laws and policies.
- e. In connection with the preparation of kaingin areas, in which setting of fire is traditionally undertaken to clear the kaingin area, the IPs were reminded and warned to be careful as it may cause forest fire. With this, violations and corresponding penalties involving such forest destruction was discussed.
- f. Furthermore, the communities were informed on the requirements and processing of application for tree cutting permit both on planted trees and naturally grown trees within timberland with appropriate tenurial instrument and within titled properties.
- g. Lastly, the Gender and Development (GAD) was also briefly discussed informing the equal rights of men and women in the community. The IPs were informed of their important role in the protection of natural resources, encouraging them to participate and pro-active in any activities involving forest protection.

7. Documentary Attachments:

- a. Attendance sheets
- b. Geo-tagged pictures

For his information, reference and further instruction.


DAVID E. GALLEMA, JR



Above geo-tagged pictures shows the participants (Purok leaders, tribal leaders, residents and Brgy councils of Punta Baja, Rizal) during the conduct of IEC re: forest protection/programs and law enforcement activities of the Monitoring and Enforcement Section of CENRO Quezon, Palawan. The IEC was conducted on May 19, 2023 at the Barangay Hall of Punta Baja, Rizal, Palawan.


DAVID E. GALLEMA, JR.
 FII/Chief, MES



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MAY 19, 2023
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ATTENDANCE

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1.	DOMINADOR B. CAPUTIKAN	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD	091632167376	
2.	EUGENIO H. BUEVINTOR	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD	09105361667	
3.	MAXIMA D. OPLIT					BSBY KAGAWAD	099099914514	
4.	ELCARI O. BAST	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD	0912444444	
5.	BENEDICTO D. MORALES	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD		
6.	MARITE ESPASO	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD		
7.	SIP/ T. BANTAL					BSBY KAGAWAD		
8.	ROSE D. LAVE					BSBY KAGAWAD		
9.	DOMINATO RANTE					BSBY KAGAWAD		
10.	PERMARTO PAMARTAN	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD		
11.	DAVE RANTERO	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD		
12.	DERMATA SANTER	✓				BSBY KAGAWAD		
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13.	Christian H. V. Vante	/				V - Pres Balate	09121108089	
14.	Maria Defensor					Pres - PANCITO-II	09051258538	
15.	Dodi B. Flores	-				Pres - Purok Bate	09380490534	
16.	Hersie B. Pascuasigna	-				Pres, KATUTUBO	0910-326-2102	
17.	Cheryl L. Abonero	/				TREK	09587382612	
18.	Helly Franco		/			Purok President Marapang		
19.	Philip R. Gonsales					Purok - Almagary		
20.	Irene C. Legarda	-				Purok. gornio - treas		
21.	Saetoma D. Gattigalad		/			Breg Kaganad	09102874827	
22.	Ignacio C. Macuter Jr	/				Mul Kabaanar	09120941209	
23.	Alexander M. Sta. Ana	/				Purok KANCHOI - Pres.	09303331499	
24.	Jun Tapa Que	-	/			Purok - KATUTUBO, PM-AUTAN		



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Table 1 Demographic characteristics of study population

	N (%)
Gender	
Male	60 (78.9)
Female	16 (21.1)
Age group	
< 18 years	1 (1.3)
18–24 years	10 (13.3)
25–34 years	12 (16.0)
35–44 years	10 (13.3)
45–54 years	10 (13.3)
≥ 55 years	17 (22.7)
Ethnicity	
Chinese	1 (1.3)
Han Chinese	59 (78.9)
Mongolian	1 (1.3)
Tibetan	1 (1.3)
Other	16 (21.1)
Marital status	
Single	1 (1.3)
Married	10 (13.3)
Divorced	1 (1.3)
Widowed	1 (1.3)
Never married	16 (21.1)
Education level	
High school or below	1 (1.3)
College	10 (13.3)
Postgraduate	1 (1.3)
Unemployed	1 (1.3)
Retired	16 (21.1)

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