

May 23, 2023

### **MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** 

The Regional Executive Director

MIMAROPA Region

1515 DENR by the Bay Bldg., Roxas Blvd., Brgy. 668, Ermita, Manila

**THRU** 

The ARD for Technical Services

**FROM** 

The OIC, PENR Officer

Oriental Mindoro

**SUBJECT** 

SUBMISSION OF MINUTES OF THE **MEETING** RE

STAKEHOLDER'S CONSULTATION

ON THE

IDENTIFICATION OF COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE

Forwarded is the report of CENRO Socorro on the above-mentioned subject. This is in support to the activities under the Green Economy Model (GEM) Program.

The activity was conducted on March 23, 2023 in Barangay Poblacion, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro. It was attended by representatives from different offices from the LGU of Puerto Galera, representatives from different Cooperative and People's Organization and CENRO Socorro personnel.

The said activity aims to establish community enterprise which would then lead to the opportunities in creating green jobs in the municipality of Puerto Galera.

For information and further instructions, if any.

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May 4, 2023

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STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATION ON THE IDENTIFICATION OF COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE UNDER

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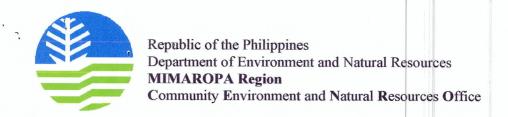
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For information and reference.

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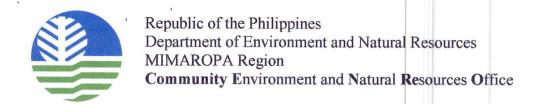
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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATION ON THE IDENTIFICATION OF COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE

Municipality of Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro March 23, 2023

The Stakeholders meeting was held in Organic Trading Post, Barangay Poblacion, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro. It was started at around 9:00 in the morning of March 23, 2023 with a prayer, followed by the singing of National Anthem, then acknowledgement of participants by Ms. Maria Alva Renelyn A. Culla-Umali, CENRO Socorro, Regulation and Permitting Section Chief.

Welcome message was delivered by Mr. Rey Bunquin, Manager of Municipal Employees Cooperative (PGMECO). He mentioned that in behalf of LGU Puerto Galera under the leadership of Mayor Rocky Ilagan, they were delighted in conducting such activity for the identification of community enterprise in order to create green jobs. He also stressed that agriculture is one of the focus of the new administration.

During the meeting Ms. Culla-Umali explained to the participants that the activity is part of the Green Economy Model (GEM) program because the Municipality of Puerto Galera is one of the GEM sites and considered as one of the Prime Eco-Tourism destination in MIMAROPA Region.

The first speaker of the meeting was FT II Michael Anjelo A. Acuzar. He discussed the scope and coverage of GEM Program. The scope and coverage of GEM includes twelve (12) coastal barangays of Puerto Galera namely: Poblacion, Sabang, Aninuan, Balatero, Dulangan, Palangan, San Antonio, San Isidro, Sinandigan, Sto. Niño, Tabinay and Villaflor.

Ms. Culla-Umali discussed the accomplishment of Task Force Puerto Galera (TFPG) and its transition to Green Economy Model (GEM) Program. She mentioned that in year 2018, they inventoried establishments and households within easement and inventoried establishments that are compliant with other environmental laws such as Republic Act No. 6969, Republic Act No. 9275, Republic Act No. 8749 and Presidential Decree No.1586. Three (3) concerned barangays were included namely; San Isidro, Aninuan and Sabang. Only portions of three barangays were inventoried because TFPG focused on the areas which are the major tourist areas. In 2019, three (3) barangays were focused by TFPG namely, Poblacion, Balatero and Tabinay. Then in year 2021 the transition to GEM, there were additional six (6) barangays that were inventoried such as Palangan, Sinandigan, Villaflor, Dulangan, Sto Nino and San Antonio. She also added that in July 2022 Master Plan for GEM was updated and in February 2023 GEM validation and assessment was conducted.



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Republic Act No. 10771 known as the Philippine Green Jobs Act of 2001 was followed and discussed by Ms. Culla-Umali. She explained that green jobs are employment that contributes in the preservation and restoration of the quality of environment, focused not only on tourism but also on agriculture, industry and service sector. Ms. Culla-Umali also added that Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) mandated by Philippine Green Jobs Act of 2016 to formulate National Green Jobs Human Resource Development Plan on the development, enhancement and utilization of the labor force, both in the private and public sectors. The plan shall have the primary objective of enabling and sustaining the transition into a green economy and the generation of green jobs towards more employment and equal opportunities and the promotion of social justice and workers' welfare. It shall include programs, projects, and activities pertaining to basic, higher and technical-vocational education and training, database that identifies and links green job opportunities with private and public entities, and information on knowledge and skill requirements of a green economy. According to her there are other government agencies that are also in the implementation of creating green jobs namely; Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Education (DepED), Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), Department of Tourism (DOT), and Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

DENR Administrative Order No. 2017-08 (DAO 2017-18) known as the Guidelines in the Operationalizing the transition of the DENR's Programs and Projects into Green Economy Models (GEM) was then followed. Ms. Culla-Umali explained that DAO 2017-18 is the implementing rules and regulation in the implementation of GEM Program. She mentioned that objectives namely; (a.) to operationalize transition of Department's programs and projects into GEM in the Environment and Natural Resources anchored on the principle of social justice and eco-systems integrity, (b.) to create community enterprises where households are the focal members and players in creating value-added environmental products and services, and to accelerate the rehabilitation of degraded eco-systems, and (c.) to promote the protection of the environment through the creation of green jobs. Ms. Culla-Umali mentioned that the transition of DENR programs and projects to GEM is comprised of three (3) main stages namely; conduct of a Community Enterprise Focus Group Discussion, the creation of a Community Enterprise, and the formation of a Community's Management Service Center (CMSC). She also discussed the scope and coverage that includes all development and rehabilitation activities executed in all the forest, mining and coastal areas or otherwise ridge to reef ecosystem under the Department. The qualified participants of GEM are the following; all interested households living within and adjacent to existing and potential project sites, organized community enterprises composed of households who have grouped themselves and showing interest to engage in any development and rehabilitation projects of the Department that would lead to Community Entrepreneurship and identify all



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participants have or will soon have tenurial rights and/or access rights, formal or informal, over the DENR controlled resource base.

During the consultation proper all the heads of the cooperatives/people's organization (POs) who attended introduced their cooperative/POs. They mentioned when their group started, how many members they have and the services they cater. Most of them were already established and some were on the process of registration and accreditation to appropriate regulatory agencies. The names of cooperatives/POs who attended the meeting are;

- New Galerian Businessmen Multi-Purpose Cooperative (NGBMPC)
- Puerto Galera Tourist Transport Cooperative (PGTTC)
- Puerto Galera Teachers Credit Cooperative (PGTCC)
- Amazing Fishers Folks of Puerto Galera Fishermans Cooperative
- Samahang Pangkabuhayan ng Dulangan (SPTD)
- Puerto Galera Municipal Employees Cooperative (PGMECO)

At around 1:00 in the afternoon, Mr. Kim Garcia of Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO) discussed the livelihood programs of LGU Puerto Galera. He mentioned that Mayor Rocky Ilagan focuses on Agriculture related association. He mentioned that all their programs are in line with their Annual Investment Plan (AIP). According to him since 2020 there were livelihood assistance under Mayor's Office, Office of Agriculture, and GAD and it is considered as part of their direct projects. However, farm to market roads, rehabilitation of Bacawan, livelihood assistance for fisher folks (remodel of boats, boat engine), and endorsement of local products are their indirect projects.

After Mr. Garcia's talk, a question was raised;
(Ms. Culla-Umali) . . . . "Meron na po ba tayong na-identify na mga association dito po sa Puerto Galera?"

(Mr. Garcia) . . . "Yes po, marami na po. Ang isa po ay ang Solo Parents, Fisher Folks, Persons With Disability (PWD). Sila po ay ang Samahan Ng Mga May Kapansanan ng Barangay Baclayan, Barangay Balatero, Barangay Tabinay, Barangay Villaflor, Barangay Aninuan, Barangay Sabang, Barangay Dulangan, at Barangay Sto. Niño, San Isidro, Hilltop, Minolo Gifted Individuals Association (SIHM Gifted Individual Assn.), Samahan ng may Kakayahan ng mga may Kapansanan ng Barangay Palangan (SKKBP), Puerto Galera Transport Service Cooperative (PGTSC), Puerto Galera Water Taxi Association, Inc., Guardians Brotherhood, Inc. (GBI), Mindoro Supporting Varsitarian, Inc. (MINSUVAR), Samahang Pangkabuhayan ng mga Taga-Dulangan (SPTD), Tabinay Puerto Galera Sagip Kalikasan at Kabuhayan Movement (TPGSKKM), Nabata Kabiyagan Iraya Puerto Galera, Pangkabuhayang Samahanng Kakawan (PASAKA), Dulangan Livelihood Project Association (DLPA), KM 40 Farmers Association,



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Baclayan Food Security Association, Galerian Prism (People Respecting Individuality Sexuality and Morale), Kabataan Para sa Kalikasan, Mamamayan Handang Labanan ang Kahirapan at Ipaglaban ang Tanging-Yaman, Aguada Farmers Association, Samahan ng mga Child Development Workers ng Bayan ng Puerto Galera, Samahan ng mga Kababaihan na Gumagawa ng Bracelet, Balatero Livelihood Association, Samahan ng mga Nagkakaisang Katutubo sa Sitio Suli, Balatero, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro, Puerto Galera Tourism and Livelihood Association, and The Island Rock Association."

"Ngayon po ang bagong binubuo ay sa mga Fire Dancers, Small Business (Tattoo Artist, Massage), Muslim Traders Associations, Tourist Guides and Operators, Transport (Toda, Jeep, Van), Hotel Owners, and Resort Owners. Sila po ay recognized ng Sangguniang Bayan (SB) at ang ginagawa po ng Mayor ay pinapabuo muna sila at pinaparecognize sa SB."

Afterwards Ms. Daphne Caganan, representative from Municipal Agriculture Office (MAO) provided information regarding the associations under their office. Under MAO, associations are farmers and fisher folks. She mentioned that there are twenty five (25) active farmer associations. Those associations have federation named Samahan ng Nagkakaisang Magsasaka ng Puerto Galera with almost 757 members and all are DOLE registered. At the same time, there are also federations of fisher folks named Samahan ng Matatag and all twelve (12) coastal barangays have their own association. Ms. Caganan also shared that the LGU of Puerto Galera is asking for assistance to Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) for fish cage to be placed at Minolo, San Isidro and to be headed by Minolo Cove Fishermen Association.

- (Ms. Culla-Umali) . . . . "Ano po ang mga produkto nito? Halimbawa po itong Nabata Kabiyagan Iraya Puerto Galera?"
- (Ms. Caganan) . . . "Karamihan po sa mga Farmers Association nagtatanim po sila. Meron din pong association katulad ng Baclayan Food Security na sila po ang gumagawa ng mga tsaa, sabon, atpb. Sa ibang farmers association po magkakapareho po na pagtatanim tapos ibaba po nila dito para ipabenta."
- (Ms. Culla-Umali) . . . . "Madam yung sa Baclayan Food Security diba sila po ay may mga products, yun po ba ay narecognize na?"
- (Ms. Caganan) . . . . "Ang alam ko po ay hindi pa po. Pero nakakapagbaba naman po sila dito, nakakapagbenta at sa Muelle po ay meron silang puwesto. Sila po ang nagsikap na magkaroon ng puwesto. Yung mga handicrafts naman po nila, naiimarket po nila sa hotel po sa ibang bansa."



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Ms. Culla-Umali acknowledged the presence of MENRO Joan A. Yap and asked to give a short message. As per MENRO Yap, it is about time that the community can be recognized and to have sustainable use of the environment. Their main purpose is to make good use of what they have in Puerto Galera and to gain on it in a rightful way. She mentioned that they are offering on the production of sea urchin and to be established as a good livelihood until it becomes a cooperative. She also stressed that MENRO is open to assist those who are willing to start an association.

MENRO Yap asked what will be the next activity after the stakeholder's consultation. Ms. Culla-Umali answered that another stakeholders consultation will be conducted on April 2023. Then Trainors trainings will also be conducted on April 2023. She added that the main goal is to create green jobs. When we established community enterprise, creation of green jobs will follow.

The consultation was ended at around 4:30 in the afternoon.

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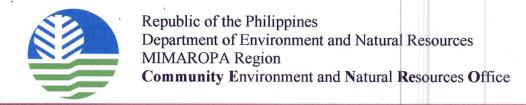
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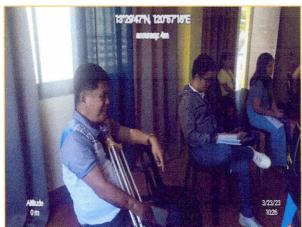
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Provisions of AM and PM snacks and lunch during Stakeholders Consultation on the Identification of Community Enterprise at Organic Trading Post, Brgy. Poblacion, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro.



# Stakeholders Consultation on the Identification of Community Enterprise

Green Economy Model (GEM)

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