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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **DR. ANDREW RODOLFO T. ORAIS**
Regional Executive Director, DA RFO VIII

ATTN : **SAAD REGIONAL ASSISTANT FOCAL PERSON**

FROM : **DIRECTOR, SAAD PROGRAM - NATIONAL PROJECT
MANAGEMENT OFFICE (NPMO)**

SUBJECT : **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – SPECIAL AREA FOR
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (DA-SAAD) AND
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT
(DSWD) SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM (SLP)
IMPLEMENTATION IN REGION VIII**

The Special Area for Agricultural Development – Sustainable Livelihood Program (SAAD-SLP) Project is a convergence project between the SAAD Program of the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the SLP of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD). Beneficiaries from selected regions covered by the SAAD will be provided additional capacity-building and agriculture-based livelihood inputs to improve their socio-economic conditions and evolve them into community-based organizations that would be linked to public and private markets.

The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between DA and DSWD on the SAAD-SLP project expired on 31 December 2023.

However, the DSWD informed us that for FY 2024, the identification of projects and target areas for SLP Zero Hunger Program Convergence Budgeting Projects is entrusted to their Field Offices (FOs). The DSWD FO VIII will only implement the SAAD-SLP Projects in FY 2024 with the following details:

Name of the PCB Project	Brief Description	Financial Allocation	Number of Target Participants	Target Areas
Paglambo ha Agrikultura: Harnessing Green Prosperity Towards Agricultural Sustainability	Development of agricultural-related projects for vulnerable sectors in the community and linking with institutional markets as potential suppliers of agricultural products.	PhP2,040,000.00	136	Giporlos, Eastern Samar



In this regard, we would like to recommend that the partnership engagement with the DSWD be considered and formalized at the regional level through a Regional MOA. The DSWD FO VIII will coordinate with the DA RFO VIII for this matter.

For further queries, please contact Mr. Saturn Palahang at saad@da.gov.ph or telephone number (02) 8929-7349 local 2834.

For your information and appropriate action.

Thank you very much.


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