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MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL CONCERNED UNITS

FROM : SAAD NATIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR


SUBJECT : DA SAAD PROGRAM PHASE 2 FY 2024 NATIONAL MID-YEAR PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT SYNTHESIS AND AGREEMENTS

In line with the SAAD Phase 2 FY 2024 National Mid-Year Assessment held on July 29th - August 2nd, 2024 in Mambajao, Camiguin, we are pleased to provide the consolidated highlights and agreements, including issues, concerns, and recommendations per concerned SAAD Operating Unit. Please see the attached Annex A.

We are also sharing the Google Drive for the presentations from the activity:
<https://tinyurl.com/FY2024SAADP2MidyearAssessment>

Should you have any inquiries or concerns, kindly contact Ms. Jonalyn Racelis or Ms. Marie Abigail de la Cruz at (02) 929-7349 or at local 2833/2834, or your assigned NPMO focal person.

Thank you.


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ANNEX A

Midyear Assessment General Agreements and Recommendations

Specific Issue/Concern	Agreements/Recommendations	Responsible Office
Limitation on trainings to be conducted only by ATI across SAAD regions including the proposed standardization of training modules.	The SAAD NPMO and NPMSO to discuss the pros and cons of standardizing training module based on applicability on the field; technical differences and financial capability of the RPMSOs.	SAAD NPMO/NPMSO
Challenges on using Business Model Canvas and Business Manual on the overall SAAD Phase 2 program implementation	The SAAD NPMO and NPMSO to discuss the possibility of using the tool, or parts of it, to its overall implementation. It is noted that some elements of BMC are already covered in the SAAD's MAED guidelines.	SAAD NPMO
Coordination with ATI RTCs on SAAD Training-related activities	Strengthen the coordination with ATI RTCs and other agencies	RPMSOs
FY 2025 BEDs Programming	Determine the BEDs based on the seasonal fluctuations of procurement needs and lessons learned from previous years. Consider the election ban in 2025	SAAD OUs
Livelihood Monitoring and Guidelines	Coordination with other agencies, such as PMS-MED, as proposed by the Office of USec for Operations to improve existing SAAD monitoring system and guidelines	NPMO
Procurement of planting materials (i.e. specifications)	Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) reiterated that the procurement of the planting materials should come from accredited suppliers	RPMSOs
Recurring delays in consolidated procurement	DA-FMS BD suggested that a deadline should be set within the region prior to the procurement process DA Budget emphasized that at least 90-95% of our budget should be obligated by December since there may be changes in the directives on the utilization of Continuing Funds by next year	SAAD NPMO

Issue on procurement of machineries which needs Certificate of Conformity (CC)	RPMSOs to submit list of machineries without CCs for consolidation of NPMO and for action of BAFE	BAFE, SAAD NPMO & RPMSOs
Inconsistencies on the targets and accomplishments	Ensure the reported figures are consistent with the approved BED 2 and BAR 1.	RPMSOs
Coordination on training-related activities	Strengthen the coordination with ATI RTCs and other agencies	RPMSOs
Need to enhance SAAD staff development	The SAAD NPMO to discuss possible training activities for its technical human resource relative to Basic agricultural extension course	SAAD NPMO and RPMSOs
Enhance interventions for SAAD youth beneficiaries	AMAS encouraged SAAD implementing units to enroll their youth beneficiaries to the DA AMAS Young Farmers Challenge project.	RPMSOs

Regional Agreements and Recommendations

SAAD RPMSO	Specific Issue/Concern/Suggestions	Agreements/Recommendations
CAR	Inconsistencies on the reflected figures of Food Production and Livelihood slide in the ppt presentation	Reconciliation of figures in the presentation with the NPMO based on the submitted targets (BED 2)
Region 13	Inconsistencies on the reflected figures of Program Management slide on the regional ppt presentation	Reconciliation of figures based on the official figures from Budget and Accounting Central Office
Region 1	Delayed in human resource hiring which resulted to unnecessary savings	The RPMSO to recalibrate its implementation to make sure the compliance of its targets to avoid unnecessary savings. In addition, use savings for other activities including possible additional beneficiary livelihood support.
Region 10	Inconsistencies on the reflected figures of FPL and Trainings on the ppt presentation	Revise and reuploading of updated file/s in the drive