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14 August 2024

MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL DA REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

ATTN : SAAD REGIONAL ASSISTANT FOCAL PERSON

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

SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR TIKA PHILIPPINES

The Special Area for Agricultural Development—National Program Management Office (SAAD-NPMO) conducted a meeting with the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA) on August 13, 2024, at the Department of Agriculture Central Office, Elliptical Road, Quezon City, for possible additional project proposals.

The minutes of the meeting are attached herewith for your information.

In this regard, we would like to request the SAAD Regional Program Management Support Offices (RPMSOs) to submit concept notes and proposals to TIKA for support. We also recommend you to include the following commodities, but not limited to:

- Mangoes in Guimaras
- Cashew nuts in Palawan
- Pili nuts in Bicol
- Abaca in Catanduanes
- Vegetable production in Baguio
- Cacao and coffee production

Moreover, the RPMSOs and Provincial Program Management Support Offices (PPMSOs) are encouraged to propose projects that SAAD cannot provide, such as a large production and post-harvest machinery, equipment, and facilities worth Php 2 million and above per unit worth of PAEF.

Please submit your proposals on or before August 30, 2024.

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

Thank you very much.


ULYSSES J. LUSTRIA, JR.



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MEETING WITH TIKA PHILIPPINES ON THE APPROVED SORSOGON TRUCK PROJECT FOR THE SAAD BENEFICIARIES IN SORSOGON AND POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL PROJECT PROPOSALS

AMAS Conference Room, Department of Agriculture, Elliptical Road, Quezon City

13 August 2024

The Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA) proposed a meeting with the Special Area for Agricultural Development (SAAD) Director Ulysses J. Lustria, Jr., and the SAAD—National Program Management Office (NPMO) on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, in the morning, to discuss the abovementioned subject.

ATTENDEES

- **Ibrahim Katirci**, Country Director, Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency
- **Kyle Christian Manejero**, Project Officer, Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency
- **Ulysses Lustria Jr.**, Director, DA-Special Area for Agricultural Development
- **Saturnino Palahang Jr.**, Executive Assistant, DA-Special Area for Agricultural Development
- **Jerech Flauta**, Information Technologist, DA-Special Area for Agricultural Development
- **Eloisa A. Mariano**, Information Officer, DA-Special Area for Agricultural Development
- **Mary Grace Rodriguez**, Assistant Regional SAAD Focal, DA RFO 5 (*via online*)
- **Maribeth Mangalino**, Regional Lead/Report Officer, DA RFO 5 (*via online*)
- **Marissa Vargas**, Regional Lead/Report Officer, DA MIMAROPA (*via online*)
- **Charmae Antipatia**, Alternate Assistant Regional SAAD Focal, DA RFO 6 (*via online*)

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of the meeting is to coordinate the TIKA-approved Sorsogon Hauling Truck Project and discuss possible additional project proposals from SAAD.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MEETING

During the session, the SAAD Director gave an orientation on the SAAD Program for the new TIKA Director. On the other hand, TIKA discusses the approved project in Sorsogon.

The following are the highlights of the meeting:

1. A turnover ceremony for the hauling truck project to be graced by the Turkey Ambassador and DA management will be planned as well as a local turnover ceremony in Sorsogon.
2. TIKA can do something with Guimaras dried mangoes to process them without preservatives. Moreover, TIKA requested that SAAD RFO 6 develop concept note for dried mangoes for a collaborative initiative. Furthermore, TIKA will visit Guimaras and can directly coordinate with the region for assistance with a proper endorsement from NPMO.
3. TIKA will cover SAAD areas and is interested to provide roasting technology and packaging for a cashew nut projects in Palawan. In addition, the Research Division of DA-MIMAROPA can submit cashew project proposals for endorsement by the SAAD NPMO.
4. SAAD RFO 5 is working with PhilFIDA to prepare an abaca production proposal for Catanduanes. It will also submit the pili nut comprehensive program within the day.
5. TIKA additionally expressed its willingness to consider proposals for vegetable production in Baguio (e.g., greenhouses), cacao and coffee production, and fisheries.
6. TIKA agreed to a meeting with BFAR-SAAD on August 22, 2024, to discuss potential project proposals involving fisheries projects.



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7. The SAAD NPMO will provide its list of projects with the commodities indicated above, as well as a memorandum to all RPMSOs and PPMSOs requesting proposals to TIKA for support.
8. TIKA also requested lists of possible supply contractors for the various project interventions that would be identified.
9. TIKA agreed to visit first the DA regional offices before going to the provinces. This is to provide TIKA more information on the commodities and possible projects as well as facilitate their field visits.

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Approved by:


Ulysses J. Lustria, Jr.