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SUBJECT

CREATION OF SUB-TASK GROUPS FOR THE NATIONAL SEED TECHNOLOGY PARK PROJECT

To operationalize the Department's thrust to develop the Seed Industry relative to the Seed Industry Program (SIP) and other innovation platforms to complement, support and enhance the Agro-Industrial Business Corridor (ABC) particularly the establishment of the first National Seed Technology Park (NSTP), under the oversight of the Undersecretary for Agri-Industrialization and Fisheries, the following sub-task groups is hereby created as follows:

Sub Task 1: To move from good seeds to quality seeds, the group will prepare support linkages on seed production and focus on the preparatory activities and coordination with concerned offices and institutions.

Composition

- Bureau of Plant Industry lead agency
- Bureau of Agricultural Research
- Philippine Rice Research Institute to coordinate with SUCS on this matter
- Ms. Sylvia Ordonez Kapampangan Development Foundation, Inc.

Sub Task 2: To conduct inventory of seed processing facilities or related infrastructure and the result of the inventory to be included in BAFE's ABEMIS.

Composition

- Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Engineering lead agency
- DA-Regional Field Offices thru the Regional Agricultural Engineering Divisions
- Dr. Mary Ann Sayoc East-West Seed Company/ Philippine Seed Industry
 Association
- Dr. Bert Rañola Technical Advisor on University-Industry Linkages, Economics of Production and Marketing

Sub Task 3: To package the 43- hectares of the DA-BCDA ABC in New Clark City for commercial use — which includes preparation of concept paper for discussion with BCDA and DTi- BOI; to prepare working paper on its priority areas; to propose fiscal and non-fiscal incentives and how this can be pitched for private sector investments.

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Composition

- The office of Undersecretary for Agri-industrialization and Fisheries lead
- Project Development Service Public-Private Partnerships
- In coordination with the office of BOI Undersecretary Ceferino Rodolfo
- In coordination with the BCDA-Business Development Office

Sub Task 4: To facilitate collaborations on capacity building with local institutions and international partners and proposed linkages with the Embassy of Netherlands and Naktiunbouw, Iowa State University and other potential partners.

Composition

- Project Development Service Project Identification and Evaluation Division lead
- · Agriculture Training Institute
- International Affairs Division
- Dr. Rodel Maghirang, Institute of Plant Breeding-UP Los Baños
- Dr. Gabriel Romero Philippine Seed Industry Association
- The office of Undersecretary for Agri-industrialization and Fisheries

The STGs are required to conduct meetings and coordinate with one another for the performance and delivery of expected output and submit report to the ABC Program Secretariat at da.abcsecretariat@gmail.com and daouaf.cncaballero@gmail.com.

Effective immediately. This shall remain enforced unless revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 6th day of May 2021

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Secretary

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