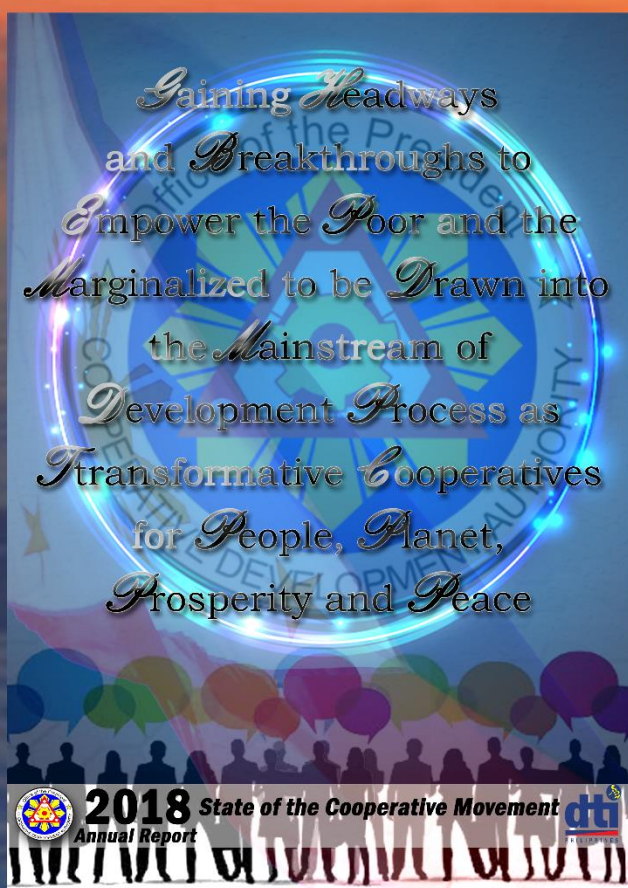


*Gaining Headways
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the Mainstream of
Development Process as
Transformative Cooperatives
for People, Planet,
Prosperity and Peace*



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About the cover

The Cooperative Development Authority's existence is in line with the mandate from no less than the highest law of the land, the Philippine Constitution, to promote the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments of social justice, equity and economic development. Doing this gargantuan task entails inculcation of Filipinos' pride and spirit of nationalism, as symbolized by the Philippine National flag.

The circle represents the DNA of a successful cooperative is one that is members' owned, value-based and sustainable, where people have harnessed their collective potentials to create their own destiny. Relatively, it represents the attributes of Cooperativism - unity, teamwork, collaboration and cooperation.

The color strokes represents the official colors of the CDA.

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Vision

An effective and efficient regulatory agency working towards the development of viable, sustainable, socially responsive and globally competitive cooperatives.

Mission

To ensure the safe and sound operations of cooperatives.

Core Values

Excellence. Giving ones best performance and achieve the desired outcome through effective and efficient management of resources

Commitment. High dedication and proactive involvement in the realization of the Agency's mandate

Integrity. Maintaning personal and professional conduct beyond reproach

Teamwork. Working collectively and harmoniously to achieve synergy in an environment conducive to achievement of organizational goals

Mandate

Promote the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments of equity, social justice and economic development in fulfillment of the mandate in Section 15, Article XII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution.

Quality Policy

As the government Agency granting juridical personality to cooperatives, the CDA is committed to:

Continually enhance the quality of our programs and services, considering the aspirations of our clients in mind;

Deliver prompt services to the public, following a culture of excellence, professionalism and integrity;

Act in accordance with law and public policy.

In line with these commitments, CDA will continue to give priority to capacity building to ensure that its human capital is knowledgeable, highly skilled and creative as well as imbued with positive work ethics and spiritual values.

These, it will pursue with the goal of improving service delivery in the name of transparency, accountability and quality service.

Chairman's Message



WHY COOPERATIVISM IS THE ANSWER?

Cooperativism, the Countervailing Force Against Violent Extremism and Climate Change!

As Undersecretary and Chairman of the Cooperative Development Authority in the country, I am so fired-up to advance cooperativism whose DNA is that of

being MEMBERS-OWNED (indeed, no one shall be left behind), VALUE-BASED (debunking consumerism and materialism for the sublime) and SUSTAINABLE (based on the firm belief that life is sacred)). I firmly believe that cooperativism is the long awaited paradigm, the liberating force to rectify social wrong, gross social inequities, social injustices that created the horrible contemporaneous scenarios of climate change and violent extremism. Such contention is well supported by newly published book on "Capitalism Versus Climate Change," by Naomi Klein saying that carbon is not the problem but the inconvenient truth is that capitalism is causing climate change" brought about by the growth-at-all-cost neo-liberalism paradigm that is sacrificing the people and mother earth to the altar of greed and profit.

In another very popular book, "Dangerous Years," by David Orr, the author aptly described what capitalism is all about:

"It feeds, clothes, houses, entertains, transports, employs, invests, disinvests, and showers all manner of things on those with money. It also poisons and pollutes while making some rich and many others poor and some fat while others starve. It flattens mountains, destroys ecologies, acidifies oceans, destabilizes the climate, creates continentalsized gyres of trash in the oceans, and corrupts democracy. It is creating amazing new ways to displace humans in favor of robots and render our carbon-based minds obsolete in favor of those made of silicon. It provides a multitude of ways to communicate 24/7 while making it less likely that we can talk sensibly with our neighbors. It entertains and infantilizes, perhaps while "consuming itself." Both bane and blessing, it is the global capitalist economy."

That heartless economic system has wrought tremendous havoc, like a monster devouring our country's ecological wealth, devastating the 17 million hectares of dipterocarp forest, erasing our mega-diversity, the richest on earth, killing rivers and bays, polluting our watersheds through the heavy use of toxins by trans-national corporations even using pesticides banned already in other countries, transforming the Philippines as supplier of the consumerist needs of the developed countries while many Filipinos are hungry as we cannot even produce enough rice to feed our people.

After the EDSA revolution, the framers of the 1987 Constitution intended to legalize people power through cooperativism by creating an office that shall "promote the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments of equity, social justice and economic development," in a highly skewed societal order run then by cronies and cartels and where some 200 families then control the economy.

Indeed, there is no need for armed struggle. Social transformation can be had by empowering the people, by harnessing their collective potentials. Indeed, for those who have dreamt, struggled, advocated and even died for it, social change has been so elusive all these years despite 14 years of martial law and two people-powered revolutions. The structures and systems breeding poverty are still as formidable as ever. Change has now come, not through violent revolution but through peaceful and legal means called cooperativism, the embodiment of people power.

Undeniably, change has come under the present leadership through the Biyaya ng Pagbabago headed by no less than a good friend, Mr. Joselito "Penpen" Libres, Under-Secretary of the Office of Participatory Governance in the country.

Together, to be true to that mandate, we will democratize wealth and power by empowering the poor and the vulnerable as it is the conclusion of development experts and social scientists that poverty in the country is rooted in the disempowerment of the people to have access and control over the oozing ecological resources and energy which are under the stranglehold of the rich and powerful oligarchs. The call is to heal the blighted land back to life, empower the poor and the vulnerable, achieve food security through sustainable agriculture, correct social inequities and social injustices to make life better for our people for the greater glory of God!

It is indeed a great privilege to head an office that is touching base with a robust movement of some 17,864 active cooperatives nation-wide with some 10.4 million members that become transformative cooperatives for people, planet, prosperity and peace in consonance with the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals to stop poverty, stop gross inequities, stop social injustice, protect the ecosystems, advance gender and development, improve the health of the people, among others.

The very essence of cooperativism to uproot the causes of war and conflict brought about by poverty, gross inequities

injustice. That is so difficult in a country run by cartels. As Chairman of CDA who dared to democratize wealth and power by registering a so-called electric cooperatives to be owned and managed by the MCOs (member-consumer-owners) will be charged by the Ombudsman and will have a case in the Sandigan Bayan. Why? For doing my job? To democratize wealth and power? Don't you know that there are now 11 million MCOs with some 200 billion pesos as capital shares in their respective 119 ECs in the country that until now are not being recognized. Isn't that massive estafa committed against the 11 million MCOs with a critical mass of 55 million Filipinos in a family of five?

Well, a time of reflection has come. Is it time to leave CDA? Are the cartels so powerful that they have created a strong cabal of vested interest? Only time will tell. But always remember, Veritas Liberabit Vos! As always, what is true, what is just and what is good will always prevail despite the harassments, bureaucratic intrigues and even attempts to life.

CDA's initiatives in making cooperativism as a countervailing force against violent extremism has been brought to the fore in 2018.

No way can we rehabilitate Marawi without cooperativism as it is the one that provides the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) with livelihood.

Violent extremism thrives on social injustice, gross inequities and dehumanizing poverty in a land where only a few elite control the economy, having tremendous rakings at the expense of the people and the environment. On the other hand, cooperativism as advanced by the Cooperative Development Authority, is an instrument to advance social justice, equity and economic development by empowering the poor and the vulnerable to have control and access over their resources which are fast slipping through their fingers. Cooperatives are putting those in the margins to be drawn into the mainstream of development processes.

Recently, a very interesting flow of events happened in the life of the wounded soldiers who have organized themselves into a cooperative which has brought to the fore my contention that cooperativism is the empowering path to make life better to those whose lives have been impaired by war.

"There is still life for soldiers even after losing eyesight. I will see to it that you remain productive citizens of this country." This was the promise of His Excellency, Mayor Rodrigo Roa Duterte to First Lieutenant Jerome Jacuba and to other soldiers who have been confined at the V. Luna Hospital in Quezon City after being wounded for fighting against terrorism and insurgency in Marawi, Maguindanao and other parts of the country. The soldiers at V. Luna then have incurred different injuries defending the country against violent extremism. Some have been amputated, while others – like Jacuba, were blinded. Jacuba lost his eyesight due to the explosion of an improvised explosive device in an encounter in Maguindanao against Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters.

As their Commander-in-Chief, President Duterte was moved by the courage and patriotism of these soldiers. Hence, the President is making sure that the government's support will be given to them accordingly, just like a good father of the family.

Few months later, with the help of the Cooperative Development Authority and other government agencies, the soldiers are now back on their feet again, ready for another battle. This time, their fight is not anymore through arms but is against poverty through cooperativism. Now that they are organized as "Wounded Soldiers Agricultural Cooperative," they will run a five-hectare agri-tourism farm that will showcase sustainable integrated farming and to put-up a Training Center to enhance the technical capabilities of their members and would-be members to become more productive.

Their wives and children will be capacitated to implement livelihood projects so that their children can continue their schooling even if their brave wounded fathers have become disabled by war.

These courageous soldiers have shown that no greater love there is than one who has sacrificed and even faced death to fight for freedom in our land against violent extremism. It therefore behooves for all of us to salute them and give our utmost support. This time, they have scaled up the war to a higher level – to fight and defeat the number one enemy which is poverty rooted in social injustice and inequities.

Welcome brave soldiers to the world of cooperativism as the liberating force in a highly skewed societal order where wealth is just concentrated in a few oligarchs. This is now the new revolution – the cooperative revolution. As former Chairman of CDA, Mr. Roberto Pagdanganan said, "sa bawat henerasyon may rebolusyon. Rebolusyong kooperatiba, ngayon na!" The cooperatives in the country are aware of this truism that says, "where a few elite have much too much while the many who are poor, have much too little, the consequences will be horrible even to contemplate."

The grand plan is for the wounded soldiers to run a Training Center in coordination with the Cooperative Development Authority and the TESDA, two agencies transferred recently from the Office of the President to the Department of Trade and Industry under the leadership of Secretary Ramon M. Lopez. As I have reported to Sec. Lopez during my courtesy call recently, I told the good Secretary that CDA and TESDA plan to train the young Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) who are victims of the Marawi Crisis. These young IDPs will be trained on Diploma Courses so that they will be capacitated to work abroad and earn dollars. This will mean from being IDPs they will become PRDs, meaning Parents Receiving Dollars. In doing so, we will counter the recruitment of the Isis who are paying their recruits about fifty thousand pesos each.

When I presented this plan recently during the General Assembly of the Network for the Development of Agricultural Cooperative (NEDAC) in Asia and the Pacific,

the attendees composed of top officials from some 21 countries welcomed the idea. Amazingly, an ambassador from one country even committed to help in hiring hundreds of the trained IDPs.

Indeed, “violent extremism” just like the Climate Crisis is becoming a global problem.” Someone even mentioned, Isis has gained headways in Syria and other countries. It is therefore imperative to make cooperativism the countervailing force because there are some one billion members of the cooperatives world-wide who are advancing Transformative Cooperatives for People, Planet, Prosperity and Peace.

All told, through cooperativism we will defeat violent extremism, all for the greater Glory of God! Isa pong taimtim na pagpupugay sa ating mga bayani ng bayan, ang Wounded Soldiers Agricultural Cooperative.

History tells us that wrongs and social injustices can only be rectified by the people themselves, that is, when they take responsibilities for their communities and take the future into their own hands. Only the people themselves can resolve these, but first, they should be empowered. No less than the World Bank came up with analysis recently disclosing that poverty is rooted in the powerlessness of the people. That to combat poverty, measures must be taken to empower them. The poor must build their own coalition, collectively mobilize their own energies and to have access and control over resources which are fast slipping through their fingers.

No doubt, poverty breeds conflict; it is the best recruiter for terrorists. Thus, by all means, poverty must be met head-on with all determination if the country has to survive, a nation that has been described in a recent study by the World Bank as “seems to be in the brink of economic disaster.”

Why are cooperatives so essential in the life of the nation? For one, it is my contention that cooperativism in this country is in itself an exercise of the most important power of the State which is the Police Power. Its very existence is to rectify social ills and economic flaws, foremost of which is social injustice.

As a transformational leading edge, the cooperative movement in the country is up to the task of advocating for the much needed paradigm shift that will liberate the people from the quagmire of poverty. As poverty is rooted in their lack of power to have access and control over their resources and utilities, cooperativism is the empowering path in crafting their own destiny.

In the 28 years of existence of CDA, the process of empowerment is now being carried by cooperatives which are now increasingly becoming a countervailing force against all forms of economic deprivation. This time, the cooperatives have joined the voices of the hungry and the helpless. And this might just tip the balance, for poverty spares nobody – rich or poor, white or black, right or left. A glimmer of hope flickers towards a new day.

Moreover, the consumers’ cooperatives must rectify the oppressive marketing system as the multiple marketing layers will be cut down to one or two. We all know that everything that is sold in this country from needle to tractor passes at least 5 to 7 marketing layers as the expense of the poor consumers. Too, our country has become a dumping ground of finished products that is why the Philippines has become one of the poorest countries in Asia. Let us remember that a country that is consuming what it is not producing will always be poor. Yes, almost everything that we consume or use does not come from this country that is why the Philippines has gone down the drain economically.

The cooperatives are now advancing cooperative marketing, giving notice that buying can be likened to casting a vote, choosing from different economic alternatives, i.e. local vs. foreign, essentials vs. junk, small vs. big, organics vs. non-organics. When you buy the products from the Philippines, you support the labor and the livelihood of the poor, the downtrodden and the oppressed.

Also, the cooperatives of women are now blooming, more beautiful than the blooming of the flowers. They are showcasing gender and development, mobilizing women power for social, ecological and economic development.

Cooperatives of the Indigenous Peoples and those of the former commanders of the MNLF are scaling the heights, making cooperativism as the driving force to put the marginalized sectors into the mainstream of development processes and to correct social injustices.

I also would like to give credit and gratitude to our partner agencies and our mother agency, the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) headed by our very supportive secretary, SECRETARY RAMON M. LOPEZ. Thank you Sir, for having us under your umbrella, by virtue of Executive Order No. 67. The DTI and the CDA is indeed a perfect tandem in strengthening the programs, innovations and products of our cooperatives particularly on the “Value Chain Approach,” the “One Town, One Product,” and the “Pondo sa Pagbabago at Pag-asenso” or P3.

This is now the very essence of the Value Chain Approach that starts from Capability Building, Production, Harvesting, Post-harvest facility, up to Marketing. This involves stakeholders like the Local Government Units – for policy support, Academe – for technology support, Civil Society organizations – for possible guaranty mechanism, Cooperatives – for post-harvest and marketing to ensure the success of the innovative value chain project.

Of course, I also would like to thank the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) led by Secretary Isidro Lapeña. Last March 5, during the conduct of partners’ meeting of the World Café of Opportunities in Taguig, I signed a Memorandum of Agreement, an inter-agency collaboration that would help TESDA Alumni find jobs. And I suggested that perhaps, the best way to provide not just works but also livelihood to the alumni, is to cooperativize them. This and along with myriad of collaborative projects will ensure job generation for nation-building.

Further, I also am extending my deepest gratitude to our legislators and Cooperative champions in the Senate and the Congress, for continued support to the cause of the cooperative movement and strengthening CDA. I would like to particularly mention Sen. Juan Miguel Zubiri, Chairman of the Cooperative Committee in the Senate, Cong. Anthony Bravo, Deputy Minority Leader, for continuously guarding the lifeline of the Cooperative Movement, to Cong. Rico Geron, Chairman of Cooperative Committee in the House of Representatives, and Cong. Ben Canama.

Lastly, I am proud to report that these 17,864 operating cooperatives have more than 10.4 million active members and 382.5B pesos of total assets. Subsequently, these have generated more than 487,200 direct employments and 1,923,047 indirect employments and these jobs created through coops have contributed 3.9 pesos of indirect taxes. These cooperatives may be exempt but they are tax makers.

Executive Director's Message

The CDA continues to create an environment that is conducive for the growth and viability of cooperatives onwards to Maginhawang Buhay envisioned in the Philippine Development Plan. Year 2018 is another challenging period for CDA coming from the Office of Cabinet Secretary (OCS) transferring to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) pursuant to Executive Order No. 67. The transfer is part of streamlining efforts in the government aimed at simplifying the systems and processes to ensure responsiveness and efficiency in the delivery of essential public services and the attainment of the Administration's ten-point socio-economic agenda.

Consistent to this mandate and the express powers of CDA under Section 3 Republic Act No. 6939, to formulate, adopt and implement integrated and comprehensive plans and programs on cooperative development consistent with the national policy on cooperatives and the overall socio-

economic development plans of the Government. The Authority has provided essential services for the Filipinos through creative ways using meager resources to carry out the various initiatives that were planned to impact on the marginalized sector of the society.

The following were the highlights of accomplishments which focuses on validating CDA's organizational outcome for an improved growth and viability of cooperative enterprises along with the Agency Work Plan formulated for 2018:

1. Cooperative Developmental Program - The Handholding Program for Micro and Small Cooperatives generated a total of 19,708 micro and small cooperatives provided with focused intervention of handholding or enabling and support services in the form of relevant trainings from CDA or through partner agencies. Micro cooperatives were given focus because of the Agency's targeted outcome to graduate micro and small cooperatives to the next level. The Koop Kapatid program has taken off to a good start with 181 micro/small cooperatives and 271 medium/large cooperatives that have joined the program for effective linking relationship among cooperatives for improved efficiency in the management of the cooperative enterprise.

The Cooperative Business Matching Information System (CBMIS) was established to strengthen cooperatives as business enterprises by promoting cooperative products and services through digital network. Strengthened international and local affiliation and partnership to create opportunities for further collaboration and resource sharing that worked well for the accomplishment of cooperative development initiatives. Improved and institutionalized the Agency information, communication and advocacy mechanisms for significant reach among marginalized sector consisting of activities such as Gawad Parangal, TV and Radio guesting, newspaper publication, CDA website, Social Media, Philippine Cooperative Newsletter and KoopBalitaan.

CDA takes pride of the significant contribution surpassing targets with remarkable accomplishment in the implementation of Marawi Rehabilitation Through Cooperativism Project under the Subcommittee on Business and Livelihood. 4,500 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) who are members of 103 cooperatives were provided with various business and livelihood assistance out of 7,277 IDPs from 73 cooperatives that were initially identified. Moreover, the Mindanao Peace



and Normalization Through Cooperative Development Project which is a Peace Initiative of the Authority positively contributed to the normalization process in the areas of conflict in Mindanao. Mobile mini rice mills and its complementing livelihood support program for sustainable and self-reliant cooperatives are now being enjoyed by pre-selected cooperatives of decommissioned combatants of the Bangsamoro Islamic Armed Forces (BIAF).

2. *Cooperative Regulatory Program - The Online Payment System to Ease Business Transactions through LBP Link.BizPortal speaks well of our concern for members and public protection. This partnership with Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) particularly on registration as a frontline service transaction of the Agency is an effective mechanism to curb graft and corruption in government as it eliminates face-to-face transaction. It provides convenience as the public can transact business even at the comfort of their homes or wherever internet connection is available. Also, the Cooperative Assessment Information System (CAIS) which was developed to consolidate cooperative data and examine, assess, process, evaluate and objectively determine the status and levels of maturity of registered cooperatives will be rolled-out in 2019.*

The registration, validation, inspection, and investigation activities as a mechanism to protect the members and the general public were successfully carried out. All application for registration was promptly acted upon as 99.8% of proposed cooperatives that were eventually registered have rated our services good or better. We are glad that 90% of special type of cooperatives registered and monitored by the Central Office such as cooperative banks, insurance cooperatives, federations/unions with national scope of membership and operations were able to comply with the reportorial requirements.

Actively participated in the advocacy for reorganization and strengthening of the CDA motivated by the sentiments of the cooperative and marginalized sectors to put them into the mainstream of development processes. As a result, the House of Representatives approved on second reading House Bill No. 9051 and the Senate already approved Senate Bill 2063. Both bills seek to repeal RA 6939, the present governing charter of CDA to have a more empowered CDA to perform its regulatory and development powers.

3. *Support to Operation - The CDA - Information Systems Strategic Plan (ISSP) 2018-2020 with approved budget through the auspices of Medium-Term Information and Communication Technology Harmonization Initiative (MITHI) provides support to the programs and projects of the Agency with the procurement of ICT equipment and system development and enhancement in order to deliver quality service and relevance to CDA clients and stakeholders.*

Strategic planning and performance assessment activities ensures the careful crafting of relevant programs, projects, and activities including the evaluation of Agency performance were utilized to accomplish the desired targets within the framework of CDA - Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS). Thus, the CDA successfully obtained the re-certification of Central and fifteen Extension Offices nationwide under ISO 9001:2015 standards. The launching of Philippine Cooperative Development Plan (PDCP) 2018-2022 sets the right momentum for the full implementation of the Plan. It is a result of consultation with multi-sectoral groups in the cooperative movement with the collective vision, "Towards a Globally Competitive and Resilient Cooperative Industry for A Progressive Nation".

4. *General Administration Services - After a long period of advocating for an office that would monitor and implement the regulation of registered cooperatives, the DBM granted an authority to create the Regulation Division and Units in the Central and Extension Offices with eight and two positions, respectively, in the last quarter of 2018. Likewise, the DBM granted an authority to create the Cooperative Surety Fund (CSF) Department pursuant to RA No. 10744 composed of two divisions, that is, Technical Assistance Division and, Inspection and Examination Division in the Central Office with a total 12 positions and, CSF Unit with 3 positions each in fifteen (15) Extension Offices except MIMAROPA. As of December 31, 2018, out of 847 plantilla positions, only 723 positions were filled up and 124 vacant positions. Our procurement service has started construction of a powerhouse and delivery of Generator Set at Central Office to support the continuous public service of No-Noon-Time break policy for forntline services especially the registration of cooperatives in accord with the commitment for ease of doing business. The acquisition of six vehicles consisting of four Toyota Innova and two Toyota Rush which will be used primarily for transportation service of officials and personnel in the Central Office called upon to represent the Agency in the exigency of the service.*

Indeed, cooperatives create jobs and generate income for people regardless of their status as essential part for nation-building and genuine partners for national development.

My heartfelt gratitude to all those who have extended their continued support to the cause of the Cooperative Movement and strengthening of CDA. I would like to particularly mention Deputy Executive Director Giovanni T. Platero for the competent management of the operations while I was on official leave in most part of the year, and for all the dedicated men and women of CDA in the Central and fifteen (15) Extension Offices nationwide for ensuring that the mandate of the Authority is accomplished. I am optimistic that our new partnership with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) will bring CDA to greater headways and breakthroughs as we embark on a more relevant programs and initiatives especially in overcoming the challenges of poverty and socio-economic disparity. Mabuhay ang CDA!

New Administrator



Administrator MYRLA BOLANIO - PARADILLO was born on March 12, 1970 in Misamis Oriental. She is married to Mr. Celestino Paradillo, who is working in the Pacific Architects and Engineers abroad. They are blessed with two (2) handsome children, Kurt and Kirby who are now all grown up. Kirby having completed his Bachelor's of Science in Resource Management and Kurt currently studying in Bachelor's of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

Administrator PARADILLO is a graduate of Master's Degree in Public Administration at the Polytechnic University of the Philippines, Sta. Mesa Manila and a graduate of Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration. Adm. Paradillo started her career in the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) as a Private Secretary with former Administrator Soc Anthony del Rosario in 2001. For showing excellent performance, she was also hired by then CDA Chairperson, Lecira V. Juarez and former Chairman, Emmanuel M. Santiaguel from 1996 to 2014.

After her stint with CDA, Ms. Paradillo continued to serve the cooperative sector when she was employed as the Executive Director of the Union of Legitimate Service Contracting Cooperatives. While in the sector, she was able to obtain trainings and exposure abroad for cooperatives. Working with CDA and the cooperative sector has given her vast experiences that developed her knowledge and widen her horizon to see the need of the cooperative movement as a whole.

On August 23, 2018, President Rodrigo R. Duterte signed her appointment as Administrator representing Luzon vice former Administrator Eulogio T. Castillo. She assumed office on August 31, 2018 and will serve for a term of six (6) years.

From the time that she was appointed as CDA Administrator, she has introduced a number of policies that would not only strengthen the cooperative sector but also the CDA as an organization and will continue to do so until the end of her term.

Cooperatives to Benefit More with CDA under DTI



The Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) led by Chairman Orlando R. Ravanera, together with Adm. Myrla Paradillo and staff and the Department of Trade and Industry, led by Sec. Ramon M. Lopez have met for the first time after the Executive Order No. 67 was signed by Malacañang, putting the CDA under DTI. But the atmosphere was more like a family reunion rather than a business meeting. Sec. Lopez and Chairman Ravanera, and the rest of the attendees have expressed optimism and excitement on the possible impact of the Order.

Chairman Ravanera expressed his excitement to Sec. Lopez for the transfer of CDA under the supervision of DTI because the move capacitates the Authority to realize its Value Chain Program for cooperatives. He also reported to the Honorable Secretary the ongoing initiatives and projects of CDA, particularly on the Memorandum of Understanding between CDA and Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of the People's Republic of China, the Bangon Marawi Rehabilitation Program through Indigenous Peoples, the CDA-NCMF Partnership

Cooperativism, CDA-NCIP Partnership for the Muslim Filipinos, among others.

On his part, Sec. Lopez have also expressed excitement on the future collaboration of DTI and CDA for their programs for the grassroots which are now in the pipeline. Sec. Lopez even promised to include the CDA and the micro and small cooperatives on their capacity trainings and programs. Undersecretary Zeny Maglaya who was also present have concurred to the Secretary.

Before concluding the meeting, the Honorable Secretary gave a marching order to the attendees to establish a focal person that would focus on the collaborative activities between DTI and CDA.

SYSTEM INNOVATION

Online Payment System to Ease Business Transactions through LBP Link.BizPortal

In consonance with Republic Act 11032 “Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018” that promotes integrity, accountability, proper management of public affairs and public property as well as to establish effective practices and prevention of graft and corruption in government. The Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) has forged a

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) that would digitalize CDA’s payment transactions with its clientele. The initiative is envisioned to facilitate prompt actions and efficiency in the frontline service of the Authority especially in the registration of cooperatives.

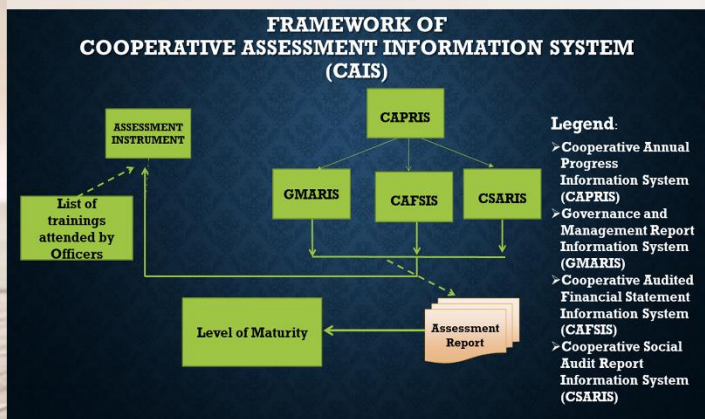
With this payment facility, Administrator Oliva and LBP Pres. & CEO Buenaventura are hopeful that the public, especially the cooperative sector, can now transact with the CDA at the comfort of their homes/offices, as long as they have internet connections.

CDA and LBP also agreed to charge only minimal amount of Php10.00 per approved transactions. An additional Php10.00 transaction fee will be charged by BancNet for the use of its Internet Payment Gateway Facility, if a client transacts with other accredited merchant bank aside from Land Bank.

To ensure protection of the clientele and compliance to Republic Act 10173 or the Data Privacy Act, CDA and LBP will ensure that appropriate organizational, physical, and technical, measures are in place to maintain the confidentiality, integrity and security of all personal data that may come to its knowledge or possession by reason of any provision. Also, its employees, agents, representatives, or any person acting under its authority shall hold personal information under strict confidentiality at all times.



Administrator Benjie S. Oliva then OIC Chairman of CDA and MR. Alex V. Buenaventura, President and CEO of LBP signed the MOA on July 4, 2018 at CDA Central Office, Aurora Boulevard, Cubao, Quezon City.



Cooperative Assessment Information System (CAIS)

The Cooperative Assessment Information System (CAIS), a comprehensive web-based system integrating all cooperative data and information was developed to consolidate cooperative data as well as to examine, assess, process, evaluate and objectively determine the status and levels of maturity of registered cooperatives. By 2019, the system will be rolled-out for dissemination and finally will be operational by 2020.

Strengthening of Cooperatives as Business Enterprises

Cooperative Business Matching Information System (CBMIS) - The project called “Cooperative Business Matching Information System (CBMIS)” was launched through a system’s orientation seminar to CDA personnel in various occasions involving its extension offices nationwide.

CBMIS was established to maintain an information system that will promote the products and services of cooperatives. It will facilitate business matching and marketing activities and gather relevant information from cooperatives relative to its products and services.

The roadshows conducted per island-region were intended for target cooperatives for the system’s registration and participation. As of December 2018, 300 cooperatives registered in the system.

With the introduction of CBMIS, the CDA is optimistic that the system will play a pivotal role in matching the producers and consumers in a more efficient way with the sharing of relevant online information in this ever-changing world.



Information, Communication and Advocacy Program

Gawad Parangal

One of the banner programs of CDA. This is an award and recognition program for cooperatives, local government units, partner or organizations and cooperative leaders in recognition of exemplary performance, best practices and good governance. A total of 99 nominees from cooperatives, LGU-Cooperative Development Office and Coop Leaders from 16 Extension Offices all over the Philippines have joined the contest. The Awarding Ceremony was held last October 26, 2018 at Novotel Hotel Manila, with 28 major awards given.



COOPERATIVE CATEGORY	NAME OF COOPERATIVES
Micro	1st - DIOCESE OF MAASIN-BEC CREDIT COOPERATIVE Sogod, Southern Leyte
	2nd - PARACALE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND COMMUNITY MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Paracale, Camarines Norte
Small	1st - SAN JOSE SICO LANDFILL MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Batangas City, Batangas
	2nd - CORTES MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Basilisa, Dinagat Islands
	3rd - TOPDAC MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Atok, Benguet
Medium	1st - LEZO MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Lezo, Aklan
	2nd - MALALIM MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Brgy. Malalim, Batangas City
	3rd - SIBBAP MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Brgy. Ambolong, Batangas City
Large Millionaire	1st - BAGONG BARRIO MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Pandi, Bulacan
	2nd - WATCHLIFE MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Mariveles, Bataan
	3rd - MANUEL GUIANGA AND SIRIB GROWERS AND EMPLOYEES MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Calinan, Davao City
Large Billionaire	1st - LAMAC MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Lamac, Pinamungajan, Cebu
	2nd - BARBAZA MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Barbaza, Antique
	3rd - SAN JOSE DEL MONTE SAVINGS AND CREDIT COOPERATIVE San Jose del Monte City, Bulacan
HALL OF FAME	TACLOBAN CITY COOPERATIVES DEVELOPMENT AND LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE OFFICE City Hall, Kanhuraw Hill, Tacloban City
	LAMAC MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE Lamac, Pinamungajan, Cebu
LGU-CDO	MUNICIPAL LEVEL 1st - Municipality of La Trinidad Cooperative Development Services Office, La Trinidad, Benguet
	2nd - Marilao Municipal Cooperative Development Office Marilao, Bulacan
	COMPONENT CITY LEVEL 1st - City Cooperative Development Office, Tanauan City, Batangas
	2nd - City Cooperative Office, Alaminos City, Pangasinan
	3rd - City Cooperative Office, Catbalogan City, Samar
	INDEPENDENT CITY/HIGHLY URBANIZED CITY LEVEL 1st - Tacloban City Cooperatives Development and Livelihood Assistance Office, City Hall, Kanhuraw Hill, Tacloban City
	2nd - Valenzuela Cooperative Development Office, Karuhatan, Valenzuela City
	3rd - Bacolod City Cooperative Livelihood Development Office Bacolod City, Negros Occidental
	PROVINCIAL LEVEL 1st - Provincial Cooperative Enterprise Development Office of Bulacan, Malolos City, Bulacan
	2nd - Provincial Cooperative Development Office of Dinagat Islands, San Jose City, Province of Dinagat Islands
	3rd - Provincial Cooperative Enterprise Development Office of Kalinga, Tabuk City, Kalinga
LEADERS	NICASIO F. FIEDACAN, JR.
	JOY DORONILA-PALMADA
	ATTY. GLORIA G. FUTALAN

Information, Communication and Advocacy Office (ICAO)

a. The CDA Board of Administrators approved the Concept Framework for Strengthening of CDA Information Campaign Program as per Board Resolution No. 556, s-2018 on November 28, 2018, thereby reactivating the Public Affairs Office, now renamed as Information, Communication and Advocacy Office (ICAO).

The ICAO's role is to strengthen the information dissemination of the agency. This is part of the Communication Plan of the office, consisting of activities such as TV and Radio guesting, newspaper publication, CDA website, Social Media, Philippine Cooperative Newsletter and KoopBalitaan.

Koopbalitaan

b. Koopbalitaan sa CDA

Facilitated two (2) Koopbalitaan sa CDA fora with the following topics:

b.1. March 12, 2018: 1) Tax Reformation for Acceleration and Inclusion TRAIN Law with representative of the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR); 2) Cooperatives advancing Biyaya ng Pagbabago; and 3) Cooperative Apex organization.

b.2. October 8, 2018: 1) Launch the 2018 – 2022 Philippine Cooperative Medium Term Development Plan; 2) Updates on Cooperative Surety Fund (CSF) Cooperatives; and 3) Updates on the Marawi Rehabilitation Thru Cooperativism Project.

The Koopbalitaan sa CDA were attended by 100 cooperative leaders and members and cooperative development partners.

b.3. Partnership with Filipino Inventors Society Producer Cooperatives (FISPC)

Through the radio program of FISPC, *Ugnayang Kooperatiba*, the CDA and cooperatives were able to discuss their programs, best practices, promotion of products and services of the cooperative and exchange ideas, initiatives and concepts, through a 1-hour time slot, 4 times a week, every Sunday, from 8:00-9:00pm. The CDA – FISPC partnership started in 2014 through signing of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).



Gender and Development Program (GAD)

In partnership with the Gender Equality Resource Center, Inc. (GERC), the CDA have conducted series of activities on the Gender and Development (GAD) Program, as follows:

a. 3rd National Summit on Gender and Development (GAD) in Cooperatives - April 3-5, 2018, Waterfront Cebu City Hotel, Lahug, Cebu City with the theme "Philippine Co-ops Stepping up United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) through GAD Mainstreaming" #1phcoop1actionforSDG2030

The Summit was attended by 884 delegates from 336 primary co-ops, unions, and federations; co-op banks; co-op development councils; local government units; national government agencies; and non-government organizations.

b. Two batches of Gender Analysis and Planning Workshop for CDA Technical Personnel - May 23-26, 2018 (Luzon Batch), Crown Legacy Hotel, Baguio City and, Gender Analysis and Planning Workshop for CDA Technical Personnel - June 4-6, 2018 (Visayas-Mindanao Batch), Palm Grass Hotel, Cebu City

Wounded Soldiers' Fight Continuous: From Battle Ground to Breaking Ground for Economic Freedom

From battle ground to breaking ground for economic freedom through livelihood programs - this is now the status of the wounded heroes particularly the members of the Wounded Soldiers Agriculture Cooperative (WSAC), who became physically impaired after defending our country against violent extremism.

WSAC was organized by the CDA and registered as cooperative in December 6, 2018. The Certificate of Registration was awarded to the members of the cooperative by no less than the CDA Chairman, Orlando R. Ravanera, in a simple ceremony in AFP Health Service Command in V. Luna, Quezon City.



According to Usec. Ravanera, "what could be a greater love than a soldier who is willing to die for a country? Soldiers are country's living heroes. They may have lost their sight but not their vision; they may become physically impaired but their gallantry to fight against the enemies of the state remain the same. Now, their battle continues but not against the armed men anymore but against the root cause of insurgency and conflict – poverty and hunger."

Usec. Ravanera believes that the mission of wounded soldiers does not end when they have lost their sight, legs, and arms during the war, instead God is leading them to another direction and that is to fight the root cause of conflict and insurgency - poverty and hunger.



Fulfilling the pledge to fully support the objectives and advocacy of the WSAC, Team-CDA closely coordinates them to further boost their enthusiasm, vigor, and the spirit of Cooperativism. Usec. Ravanera and the team even personally visited the WSAC at Sitio Palico in Nasugbo, Batangas to give them updates with the current development and programs of the CDA for them.

The CDA is steadfast on its commitment to empower the wounded soldiers and their dependents by providing with training center, necessary equipment, livestock, root crops, seedlings and many others as well as engaging them to different livelihood training programs. Also, Ravanera is assuring them to make their five (5) hectares area to be developed as Agri-Tourism and at the same time be used as model of the CDA's Value Chain Approach for Sustainable Agriculture and Agrarian Reform that will adapt the paradigm shifts from conventional to sustainable agriculture for **People, Planet, Prosperity and Peace**.



Wounded Soldiers'...

The CDA's Value Chain Approach for Sustainable Agriculture and Agrarian Reform adheres to help the agriculture cooperative from capability building, production, harvesting, post-harvest facility, up to marketing. It will engage stakeholders like the Local Government Units – for policy support, Academe – for technology support, Civil Society organizations – for possible guaranty mechanism, Cooperatives – for post-harvest and marketing to ensure the success of the innovative value chain project.

Having such, Ravanera commits to bring the technology of taro roots processing, dairy processing and other best practices in agricultural cooperatives from Mindanao to the WSAC. He further assures to help the WSAC in marketing of their available products through intensified Cooperativism, following the very core and advocacy of the CDA's Value Chain Approach for Sustainable Agriculture and Agrarian Reform.

Ravanera is confident that through Cooperativism, people can never be defeated, even by poverty.



Marawi Rehabilitation Through Cooperativism

Through Cooperative Project Development and Assistance Division (CPDAD) and Kidapawan Extension Office, CDA participated in the Task Force Bangon Marawi under the Subcommittee on Business and Livelihood with its project titled “Marawi Rehabilitation Through Cooperativism”. It was launched by CDA last July 2018 with the aim of helping the cooperative members who were identified as Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs). The cooperative beneficiaries, selected based on the criteria made by CDA, were capacitated and the IDPs who are members of such cooperative were provided the business and livelihood assistance. As of December 2018, the project has already surpassed its initial target beneficiary reached at 103 against 73 cooperatives targeted for the year 2018-2019. This translated to almost 4,500 versus 7,277 individual member-coverage. Project fund is worth PhP 76.15 million for 2018, which the Authority’s Central and Kidapawan Extension Office implemented.



Mindanao Peace and Normalization Through Cooperative Development

This project is a key socio-economic component of the Peace Initiatives of the CDA. It intends to positively contribute to the normalization process in the areas of conflict in Mindanao through a development package that aims to organize and develop sustainable and self-reliant cooperatives among the decommissioned combatants of the Bangsamoro Islamic Armed Forces (BIAF). The project primarily aimed to provide mobile mini rice mills among pre-selected cooperatives in Mindanao and its complementing livelihood support program in sustaining their cooperative operation. Based on the Special Allotment Release Order (SARO), the project fund is worth PhP 50 million for 2018. The SARO and Notice of Cash Allocation (NCA) were issued by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) on April 10 and June 18, 2018, respectively.



Koop Kapatid Program

The Koop Kapatid Program serves as one of the flagship activities of CDA in support for the “*Biyaya ng Pagbabago Tungo sa Masagana at Matiwasay na Buhay Pilipino*”, a newly conceptualized poverty alleviation program of the Duterte Administration. Essentially, the program was crafted to establish a formal and effective linking relationship among cooperatives for mutual economic advantage to improved efficiency in the management of the cooperative enterprise.

Anchored on the 6th Cooperative Principle which is “Cooperation Among Cooperatives”, the main objective of the program is for the CDA to link the successful cooperatives (Big Brother) to micro/small cooperatives (Small Brother) to help in providing assistance to make the latter a viable and sustainable organization.

With the assistance of the fifteen (15) Extension Offices, the program was successfully implemented. As of December 2018, there were around eighty-one (81) big brother cooperatives who have assisted the 118 small brother cooperatives in the form of mentoring/coaching, capacity building, provision of technical assistance such as bookkeeping, accounting, completion of reportorial requirements to CDA, financial assistance, marketing, conduct of the need assessment, assistance on the online submission of Cooperative Annual Progress Report (CAPR) and Audited Financial Statement (AFS).

With the success of the program, the CDA will give commendation to big brother cooperatives that provided assistance to small brother cooperatives which resulted to the improvement of the latter’s management, governance and/or regulatory compliance.



The pictures show the officers of the cooperative and its product (lending, consumers, ATM, Gasoline station) as well as the MOA signing signed by the AMPC Chairman and Acting Supervising CDS Mr. Renato Castro.

Strengthening International and Local Partnership



PH-China Ink Partnership for Strengthening Agri Coops

After a year of coordination and a series of planning and meetings, the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) of the Republic of the Philippines and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA) of the People's Republic of China has been finally signed. The signing was made during the visit to the Philippines of His Excellency Chinese Pres. Xi Jinping last November 20-21, 2018, after the CDA-MARA MOU was identified as one of the deliverables during his state visit.

In a ceremony held in Malacañang in November 20, Hon. Orlando R. Ravanera, CDA Chairman and Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi, exchanged the signed MOU in the presence of His Excellency Pres. Rodrigo Roa Duterte and the Chinese president. This partnership was received positively by the cooperative sector who expressed their optimism thru social media. Following the momentous occasion, the cooperative movement, especially the agricultural cooperatives in the Philippines have rejoiced and expressed optimism towards this undertaking.



In retrospect, the CDA-MARA partnership was the off-shoot of the meeting between CDA, led by Chairman Ravanera, and Chinese officials sometime early in 2017 when Chinese delegates visited the CDA. To signify its sincerity to the propose partnership, even though the MOU was not yet formally formed, the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs have organized and invited two batches of Philippine delegates already for a week-long Seminar Workshop on Agricultural Cooperatives Development for the Philippines in Beijing, China.

The first batch was in May 21-28, 2018 composed of nine delegates coming from the CDA and the agricultural cooperative sector. The second batch was in October 14-20, 2018, composed of 13 delegates from CDA and the Agriculture cooperative sector.

The seminar workshop was very informative. The participants were able to immerse through the history of Chinese agricultural revolution, agricultural mechanization and Cooperativism. Aside from that, the participants were also given a chance to savor the rich history of the great Chinese nation by going to historical places, like: The Great Wall, the Forbidden City and the Tiananmen Square.

The cooperation between CDA and MARA will focus on the following areas:

- 1.) *Capacity building. The MARA will provide training in China for 60 managers and technicians of agricultural cooperatives for the Philippines between 2019 and 2021.*
- 2.) *Personnel exchange. The Parties will send manager and technicians of agricultural cooperatives to the other Country for study tours and exchange of views.*
- 3.) *Demonstration and dissemination of agricultural technologies. The Parties will make use of the Phil-Sino Center for Agricultural Technology (PhilSCAT) and relevant agricultural cooperatives of the Philippines as platforms to demonstrate and disseminate agricultural technologies. The MARA is willing to send experts and technicians to the Philippines to provide technical advice service;*
- 4.) *Agricultural trade. The Parties will encourage agricultural cooperatives or companies of their Country to attend promotion activities for agricultural trade and investment held in the other Country and provide any necessary support.*
- 5.) *Other areas of interest to both Parties.*



Strengthening International and Local Partnership

PH-China Ink Partnership for Strengthening Agri Coops...

The signed MOU is now ready for the ratification of the President. Now that the MOU has been signed, CDA and MARA are expected to discuss detailed projects arrangement and carry out cooperation in the aforementioned areas according to the provisions of the said MOU. And to ensure the implementation of the partnership, as stipulated in Article IV of the MOU, CDA and MARA will set up a liaison mechanism. The CDA and the Department of International Cooperation of the MARA shall be the focal points for the Chinese and Philippine sides respectively in charge of day-to-day liaison.



Strengthening International and Local Partnership

The Cooperative-Sustainable Enterprise Development (COOP SEED) project is basically a capacity building program for members of micro and small cooperatives from identified provinces in all regions considered as poorest of the poor. As a new program, an Orientation and Planning Workshop was held in March 2018 among the Directors, Asst. Directors and Sr. CDS for CRITS and CPDAS of all Extension Offices.

During the year, a Seminar Workshop on Cooperative Entrepreneurship Development Plan (CEDP) and Value Chain was conducted where each of the 30 cooperatives, with 1 micro cooperative and 1 small cooperative in every region, developed and presented their respective CEDP which they have to implement for the Program.

The Extension Offices took charge of implementing/initiating various deliverables, together with the cooperative beneficiaries, such as trainings on product development, technical assistance on the preparation of CDA Mandatory reports, establish partnership in the local level as partners in the program, assist cooperatives and entrepreneur members to be registered under BMBE Act of 2002 and participate in the project of Negosyo Centers, among others.

Documentation of the Program in video and coffee table book was also undertaken in 2018.



**CDA –
Department of
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(CDA-DTI)**



Strengthening International and Local Partnership

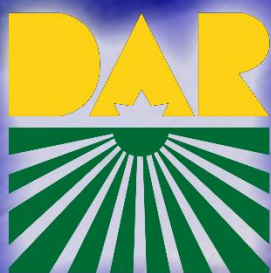


CDA – Department of Agriculture (CDA-DA)

The CDA-DA partnership is aimed at capacitating agricultural cooperatives in selected poorest provinces of the country. The program which was targeted to completely facilitate the Training Needs Assessment (TNA) for the fifty (50) beneficiary farmers and fisherfolk cooperatives that will provide capacity building and training activities commensurate with the cooperative needs. Implementation of the program kicked off last October 2017 with the staff of Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC), Agricultural Training Institute (ATI), Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), and the DA-Office of the Undersecretary for Special Concerns (DA-OU SC). Compliant micro and small agricultural cooperatives were located in the ten (10) provinces of the country, viz: Lanao del Sur, Eastern Samar, Apayao, Maguindanao, Zamboanga del Norte, Sarangani, North Cotabato, Negros Oriental, Northern Samar, and Western Samar. The partnership has rendered 28 organizational/institutional trainings and 34 technical trainings during the program duration.



Strengthening International and Local Partnership



**CDA –
Department of
Agrarian
Reform
(CDA-DAR)**

A collaborative project “CDA-DAR Partnership Program II: Ensuring Sustainable Operations of Registered Agrarian Reform Cooperatives (ARCs)”. It seeks to develop functional ARCs in managing profitable and sustainable enterprises enable to serve its members and thereby contribute in improving the quality of life.

Under the project, CDA has the following deliverables: (a) Issuance of Certificates of Compliance (CoC) issued to ARCs; (b) Provision of technical assistance in the rehabilitation of at least 15 non-operating cooperatives (one per region); (c) Transformation of at least 30 ARB organizations (ARBOs) into registered cooperatives; (d) Establishment of partnerships between target ARCs with 15 medium or large cooperatives for the conduct of capacity building activities; (e) Provision of audit subsidy to ARCs; and (f) Development of caselettes (one per region) and three (3) video documentations, one each from Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao.





CDA – Humanitarian Leadership Academy (CDA-HLA)

CDA and Humanitarian Leadership Academy (HLA) Partnership Program on Business Continuity Management (BCM) for Cooperatives

The partnership started in October 2016 with the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement during the National Cooperative Summit held in SMX MOA, Manila. The partnership project aims to enhance the capacity of cooperatives to get back to business after the disaster through implementing the Business Continuity Plan that they themselves developed/will develop.

The project is divided into four (4) phases: Phase 1 – Development of Blended Curriculum on Business Continuity Management (BCM); Phase 2 – Training of Trainers on BCM; Phase 3 - BCM Master Training; and Phase 4 - Regional Roll Out to cooperatives. After the blended curriculum has been developed, the following trainings for CDA technical personnel were conducted by the HLA, as follows:

TRAINING	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
Training of Trainers on Business Continuity Management	
• Batch for Luzon – March 19-23, 2018; Quezon City	24 participants
• Batch for Visayas – April 23-27, Cebu City	25 participants
• Batch for Mindanao – June 25-29, 2018, Davao City	30 participants
• 2 nd Batch for Luzon – July 23-27, Quezon city	30 participants
Business Continuity Management Masterclass, September 26-28, 2018, Quezon City	20 participants from the roster of TOT participants

In the same year, the Extension Offices conducted roll out activities to cooperatives which include among others forum, orientation and workshops on Business Continuity Management and Business Continuity Plan for Cooperatives.





REGULATORY SERVICES: MEMBERS and PUBLIC PROTECTION

Reorganization and Strengthening of the Cooperative Development Authority

The House of Representatives approved on second reading House Bill No. 9051 and the Senate already approved Senate Bill 2063. Both bills seek to repeal RA 6939 the present governing charter of CDA to have a more empowered CDA to perform its regulatory and development powers.

The CDA through its own technical working group composed of the Board of Administrators, selected Extension Office Directors, members of the Executive Committee pushed for more regulatory powers of the CDA through enforcement and quasi-judicial powers as well as developmental powers. The TWG also championed that the CDA employees be absorbed and the same was adopted by both bills of the lower and upper houses.

The CDA employees and officers, have come together with a firm collective intent to advance what they believe is their moral and official obligation to participate in the crafting of the CDA Charter which will best serve the interest of the more than fourteen million cooperative members.

CDA people are in the midst of deep reflection at this stage of CDA's 29th year of existence as a new Charter is being crafted to define what it should be, after which, re-organization will be a logical consequence. Together with that reflection goes with it are the prayers that this significant legislation should consider those who have painstakingly been front lining CDA for decades, bravely facing the challenges of serving cooperatives, despite the shortage of budget and even of personnel.

The Committee Report No. 1208 of the Committee on Cooperative Development of the House of Representatives submitted the following objectives and key provisions in the approval on second reading of House Bill No. 9051.

Key Provisions:

- Grants CDA the sole power to register cooperatives;
- Empowers the CDA to be represented as a voting member in the governing board of the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) and the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP);
- Empowers the CDA to issue cease and desist orders, subpoenas, appropriate regulations regarding the control and supervision including inspection of cooperatives, calling for special general assembly, removal of officers or members of coops, dissolution of a cooperative, among others;
- Directs the CDA to cancel or suspend the certificate of registration of cooperatives not compliant with the provisions of R.A. No. 9520 as well as revoke the certificate of authority to establish/operate satellite/branch office of a cooperative;
- Empowers the CDA to exercise quasi-judicial powers, to implement a dispute resolution mechanism, mediate inter-cooperative and intra-cooperative disputes, issue subpoenas and summons, cease and desist orders, and the enforcement of its decisions;
- Strengthen the education, training and developmental function of the CDA;
- Strengthen the partnership between the CDA, coop sector and the academe geared towards cooperative education, training and development;
- To recognize and register an alliance or unifying organization that shall represent the cooperative sector;
- Reorganizes the CDA's organizational structure, renames the CDA's Board of Administrators into Board of Directors; the Administrator shall be the Executive Director who shall manage and oversee the day-to-day operations and execute the policies of the Board to be assisted by the Deputy Executive Director;
- Empowers the Board of Directors to appoint its Executive Director, Deputy Executive Director and the five (5) deputy administrators;
- Delineate the powers and functions of its officers, rationalize their position in accordance with the Dept. of Budget and Management and the laws, rules and regulation of the Civil Service Commission

Social Audit for Cooperatives

Approval of Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 2018-01 Series of 2018 entitled Revised Guidelines on Social Audit of Cooperatives - Tool for cooperatives to measure effectiveness of the cooperative's social development services, consists of: two (2) phases, namely: Social Performance Assessment, and Social Impact Assessment.

The Circular aims to provide a tool for cooperatives to accomplish annually that would measure effectiveness of the cooperative's social development services. This guideline covers only the first phase of the Social Audit process. A separate guideline for Social Impact Assessment shall be set forth in a separate

Monitoring of Cooperative Development Council (CDCs)

The National Cooperative Development Council (NCDC) held a general assembly meeting at the CDA 7th Floor, Multi-purpose Cooperative called by the incumbent Chairman Mr. Samie Billanes. Nine of the fifteen (15) organized Regional Cooperative Development Council (RCDC) attended. Likewise, partners of CDA from the government sector such as representatives from the Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and financial institutions such as Landbank of the Philippines (LBP), Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) and Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC) attended the NCDC general assembly. Mr. Billanes gave his accomplishment report emphasizing on his effort to remove the tax exemption privilege of cooperatives through legislative acts.

Status and Level of compliance of Special Cooperatives

Almost 90% of the Central Office registered and monitored special types of cooperatives and federations/unions with national scope of membership and operations were able to comply with the reportorial requirements. For electric cooperatives (ECs), the submission of List of Members with Share Capital Certificates as an additional required report (Section 16, Rule VI, Special Provisions, Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations) that took effect in 2018 serves as major hindrance for them to secure Certificate of Compliance (COC) within the compliance period since they failed to submit the said list on time. But just the same, eight (8) out of thirteen (13) ECs were able to complete the required reports and secure COC. Twenty-three (23) cooperative banks and two (2) insurance cooperatives were also granted COCs.

Cooperative and Tax Reforms

The newly signed R.A. 10963 or the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Law, under Section 3, requires the CDA to submit to the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) a tax incentive report availed by cooperatives registered and enjoying incentives under R.A. 9520. Information that will be gathered shall be included in the database created under R.A. 10708 otherwise known as the Tax Incentives Management and Transparency Act (TIMTA).

Several meetings were conducted together with the representatives from the BIR and Department of Finance (DOF) to clarify the provisions of the law and determine how it will be implemented to the cooperative sector. The group already agreed on the contents of the reporting forms to be used and drafted already the Joint Administrative Order (JAO) for signing. Even without the JAO, initial information disseminations were made during the Cooperative Month Celebration.

The transfer for supervision of the Authority from the Office of the Cabinet Secretary (OCS) to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) by virtue of Executive Order No. 67, the signing of the Joint Administrative Order (JAO) was put on hold so as the downloading to the EOs and cooperative sector of the different forms to be used for reporting in compliance to the requirements of R.A. 10963 and R.A. 10708.

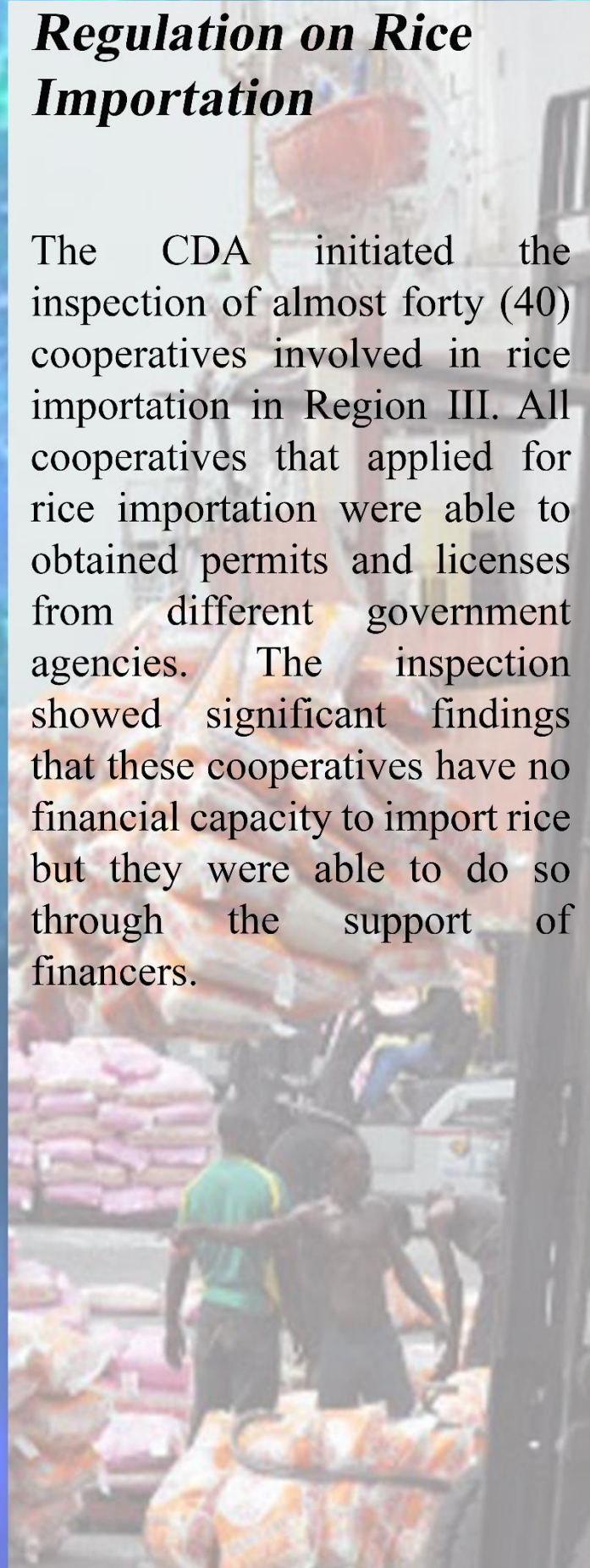
Strengthening of Electric Cooperatives (ECs)

The CDA conducted a dialogue with the Electric Cooperative (EC) sector registered with the authority on August 10, 2018. The Dialogue was attended by the Chairpersons and General Managers of the thirteen (13) ECs registered with the Authority and the representative from the Philippine Federation of Electric Cooperatives (PHILFECO). Issues and concerns besetting these ECs were presented together with the infractions/ non-compliance gathered during the inspection.



Regulation on Rice Importation

The CDA initiated the inspection of almost forty (40) cooperatives involved in rice importation in Region III. All cooperatives that applied for rice importation were able to obtain permits and licenses from different government agencies. The inspection showed significant findings that these cooperatives have no financial capacity to import rice but they were able to do so through the support of financiers.





SUPPORT TO OPERATIONS (STO)

Shifting Gears Through CDA Performance Assessment and Planning Conference (CPAPC)

Effective planning starts with knowing where the Agency want to go. As 2018 was a challenging year with greater opportunities for CDA, there were developments in its structure, management and governance, changes in its internal and external environments, and cooperatives' needs shifts that call for changes in the Agency's direction to achieve its goals.

It is imperative that the CDA conducts its regular CPAPC to formulate plans and to determine its courses of action, monitors and evaluates accomplishment and performance of the various units of the Agency. The current operations, systems, Programs, Projects and Activities (PPAs) of CDA were reviewed/ assessed and what needs to be improved/ developed in the upcoming year were identified through the conduct of the following activities in 2018:

a. Year-End Assessment and Workshop on 2019 WFP and Budget Proposal, February 5-8, 2018, Sequoia Hotel, Quezon City;

b. 8th CDA Performance Assessment and Planning Conference FY 2018/ CDA Retreat and Strategic Planning, June 19-22, 2018, Days Hotel, Tagaytay City;

c. Workshop on the Crafting of FY 2019 Parameters, October 3-6, 2018, CDA, Cubao, Quezon City;

d. Strategic Planning & Team Development Training Workshop for CDA Management, November 18-21, 2018, DAP, Tagaytay; and

e. 9th CPAPC, December 10-14, 2018, Cagayan de Oro City.

These activities/ conferences aimed to achieve the following: 1) Serve as a venue for clarifying appropriate standards in the implementation of CDA's Targets and Accomplishment among all operating units toward successful accomplishment of Agency goals; 2) Assess the Agency's performance in 2018 vis-a-vis its set targets; 2) Identify the Agency's goals and priorities and determine strategies and the parameters of work accomplishment; 3); Enable the CDA BOA to set policies to guide the Agency; and 5) Ensure that CDA PPAs are relevant and responsive to the needs of its clientele and contribute to organizational stability and growth.

Shifting gears in 2018 was crucial as it required the Agency to keep trying to achieve its specific goals as these turn out to be less relevant over time.



Philippine Cooperative Development Plan (PCDP) 2018-2022

The CDA launched the much-awaited 2018-2022 Philippine Cooperative Development Plan (PCDP) during the KoopBalitaan held on October 8, 2018 in Quezon City, Metro-Manila. This significant event was attended by CDA officials and personnel, representatives from cooperatives, NGAs, LGUs and Media.

The Plan is a result of multi-sectoral efforts. It highlights the importance of developing mutually-empowering partnerships focused on sustained efforts to address needs, problems and poverty at its roots. It attempts to address not only the lack of material resources or income, but also the absence of capabilities, opportunities and power that will allow the individual to fully assume her/ his role as a member of the community.

The PCDP for 2018-2022 is anchored on a collective vision of the cooperative sector which is: ***"Towards a Globally Competitive and Resilient Cooperative Industry for A Progressive Nation"***. Cascading from this vision is the cooperative sector's strategic goals which are:

- 1) Enhanced Policy, Regulatory Environment and Partnerships;
- 2) Improved Institutional Development, Governance and Management;
- 3) Sustained Human Capital Development among Cooperatives;
- 4) Globally Competitive Cooperative Products and Services;
- 5) Increased Access to Finance; and
- 6) Increased Access to Markets and Infrastructure.

The realization of the collective vision and strategic goals of the cooperative sector will contribute to the societal goal of poverty reduction and the improvement of the quality of life of the members of cooperatives. Therefore, the operations and governance in the cooperative sector as well as the relationships between and among the actors shall be guided by the following principles:

- a) Subsidiarity and Complementation,
- b) Circumscribed Governance,
- c) Empowerment,
- d) Strategic Alliance and Critical Collaboration; and
- e) Accountability.

The CDA, under RA 6939, is mandated to formulate, adopt and implement integrated and comprehensive plans and programs on cooperative development consistent with the national policy on cooperatives and the overall socio-economic development plans of the government.

In 2018, the Agency conducted the following activities in formulating the 2018-2022 PCDP: 1) Presentation of the 1st Draft 2018-2022 PCDP to TWG members; 2) TWG Workshops to Review the Draft 2018-2022 PCDP; 3) TWG Workshop to Finalize the 2018-2022 PCDP; and 4) Development of Results Framework.

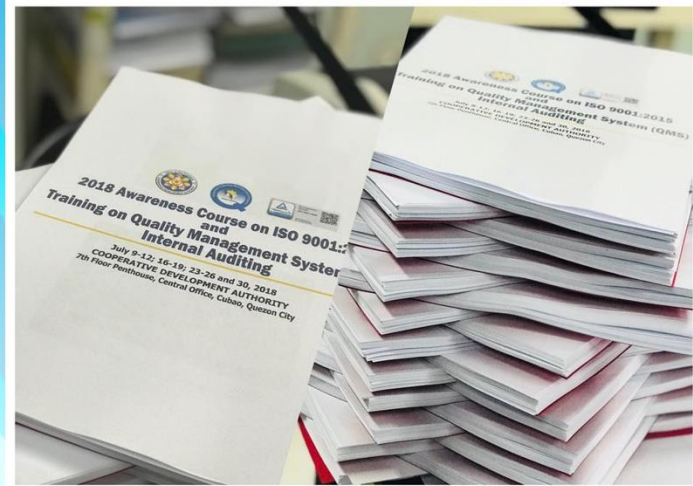
The Plan which will serve as the cooperative sector's complementary blueprint to the Philippine Development Plan of the country for five-year period, will be disseminated to the cooperatives and other stakeholders. The CDA will utilize a results-based management approach, the use of which constitutes a shift from focusing on activities to focusing on results. This result's-based approach will also form the foundation of CDA's management and evaluation system.



2018-2022

Philippine Cooperative Development Plan (PCDP)





Quality Management System

CDA conducts capability building activities, develops, implements, promotes and sustains the 5S good housekeeping in the organization to continually improve the delivery of cooperative development program and the effectiveness of Agency's established Quality Management System (QMS).

As one of the Government Quality Management Committee (GQMPC) beneficiary agencies, CDA has undertaken project entitled: **Transforming Public Service Delivery through 5S good Housekeeping: Culture Building for Quality Service in the Government.** This project aimed to achieve the following:

- 1) To update and amend the existing SO 2010-323 pertaining to the current composition of the Quality Work Place and Evaluation Team;
- 2) To update, revise and provide the 5S standards, evaluation sheets and 5S Committee Structural Chart;
- 3) To reiterate the support and commitment of Management in the implementation, monitoring and continuous improvement of the 5S Program;
- 4) To conduct a general orientation on 5S Good Housekeeping at the Central Office and all Extension Offices;
- 5) To conduct a Big Clean Up Day (Seiso Day) for the year (FY 2019);
- 6) To perform, assess and evaluate the 1st 5S Audit for 2018 (FY 2019); and
- 7) To prepare for the audit visit of DAP to CDA (FY 2019).

In 2018, to ensure continuing maintenance of the CDA's ISO 9001:2015 certification, CDA conducted in 3 batches the In-House Trainings on ISO 9001:2015 Awareness Course and Internal Quality Audit (IQA), and Practice Audit for Various Processes of the Agency on July 9-12, 2018, July 16 - 19, 2018 and July 23 - 26, 2018, respectively. These were attended by Internal Quality Auditors from Central and Extension Offices and process owners. The fourth batch of the training on ISO 9001:2015 Awareness Course was attended by the top management and newly hired employees on September 3, 2018. These orientations aimed to develop an in-depth understanding of the ISO 9001:2015 QMS requirements while the refresher course was conducted to review and establish the organization's Audit Program. Through IQA training, this enabled the participants to understand, interpret and audit ISO-QMS requirements as well as address audit findings. The one-day practice audit aimed to assess various processes such as Cooperative Registration and Amendment, Supervision and Examination, Development Support and Assistance and Research, Information and Training Processes.

CDA - Information Systems Strategic Plan (ISSP) 2018-2020:

a. The ICT Equipment - procured 70 desktop computers and 174 laptop computer units with Microsoft office productivity tool

b. System Development and Enhancement - procured the services of ICT solution provider for the development of the mission critical systems, the Online Cooperative Inspection Report System (OCIRIS) which has been renamed as the Cooperative Assessment Information System (CAIS) and the enhancement of the Cooperative Registration Information System (CoopRIS). The lowest bidder awarded with PHP2.1M inclusive of the hardware servers.

c. Sub-Allotment Advices (SAA) worth 3.3 Million to CDA Extension Offices for the following:

- ICT Office Supplies – partly for the pocket wifi subscription
- Internet Subscription – for internet upgrade sustenance;
- ICT Repairs and Maintenance – for immediate and preventive ICT maintenance; and
- ICT Software Subscription – Antivirus for all serviceable computer units.

d. Other accomplishments

- Structured cabling made at the Penthouse, the newly renovated 7th Floor;
- Funding for the conduct of various meetings held pertaining to the systems to be enhanced and developed which were attended by Online Systems Users





GENERAL ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

Creation of New Offices

a. Credit Surety Fund Department

Newly Created CSF Department	
Central Office	12 plantilla positions with two divisions ✓ Technical Assistance Division ✓ Inspection and Examination Division
Extension Office	3 plantilla positions Sr. CDS, CDS II and, CDS 1 per EO except MIMAROPA

b. Regulation Division (ReD)

Towards the end of the year, the official creation of the Regulation Division (ReD) together with the plantilla positions for the Central Office and the sixteen (16) Extension Offices was approved by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). The following are the composition of the ReD:

Newly Created Regulatory Division/Units	
Central Office (Division)	8 plantilla positions
Extension Office (Unit)	2 per EO = 32 including MIMAROPA

Budget and Finance

Budget Proposal for Fiscal Year 2019 was formulated jointly by Finance and Planning Divisions in close collaboration with the different operating units of the Cooperative Development Authority. The consolidated budget proposals of **P1,113,752,000.00** was submitted to the Department of Budget and Management.

Out of the proposal, the DBM recommended under the National Expenditure Program for Fiscal Year 2019, the budget of **Five Hundred Fifty Five Million Seven Hundred Forty Eight Thousand Pesos (P555,748,000.00)** consists of Personnel Services of P398.974 Million which represents the adjusted salaries for the 4th tranche salary standardization, other compensation

and other benefits for **673 filled-up positions out of the 750** authorized plantilla positions as of May 2018, to include the 14 additional positions to fully complement the CARAGA Extension Office, leaving 77 positions unfunded for 2019. For MOOE, only P125.336 Million was approved. The amount represents costs of on-going program/ activities/ program (PAPs) for general administrative and support services, Support to Operations and Operations composed of Programs under Cooperative Development and Cooperative Regulatory and P31.438 Million for capital outlays for **CDA ISSP funded under MITHI of P22.338 Million** and the purchase of seven (7) motor vehicles for use of CDA Extension Offices.

Lobbied for the increase of 2019 budget and during the plenary hearing of the CDA's NEP budget, a budget for the implementation of the Asset Recovery Program, Phase 2 of the Mindanao Peace and Normalization Project and Film Festival Project that will showcase the best practices of cooperatives have been considered for funding.

In the execution of the approved Fiscal Year 2018 budget, from the total released allotment of **P679,667,000.00**, the total obligations incurred amounted to **P667.391 Million** while the total Disbursements reached to **P629,602,000.00** Million resulting to **Budget Utilization Rates (BURs) of 98.19% and 94.34%** as to Obligations and Disbursement, respectively. These financial performances have been closely monitored through the conduct of first semester and Year-End financial performance assessment and Closing of Books of Accounts.

The amount includes the **P53 Million** Senate initiated modification for the implementation of Mindanao Peace and Normalization Project through Cooperative Development Project composed of P50.00 Million for the purchase of 50 units of mobile rice mill with destoner for the qualified cooperative beneficiaries located in Mindanao and, the P3 Million for the construction of multi-purpose building located at Catigbian, Bohol. Also, P76.150 Million funds under Marawi Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Program (MRRPP) charged against the NDRRM fund, Republic Act 10964, FY 2018 General Appropriations Act was released for the implementation of Marawi Rehabilitation Through Cooperativism Project.

Procurement Services

Construction of Powerhouse and delivery of Generator Set at Central Office - Support to continuous public service with No-Noon time break for frontline services especially on the registration of cooperatives in accordance with the commitment for ease of doing business.



Procurement Services

Acquisition of six vehicles consisting of four Toyota Innova and two Toyota Rush – primarily for transportation service of officials in the Central Office called upon to represent the Agency in the exigency of the service.





CDA EXTENSION OFFICES REPORTS

Highlights of Dagupan EO

The report comprises the highlights of accomplishment from the various operational units, including human resource and accountability reports.

The management supported and demonstrated leadership and commitment with respect to the Quality Management System (QMS) and the responsibilities of the management under ISO 9001:2015 which evolves around Quality Management Principles such as: customer focus, leadership, engagement of people, process approach, improvement, evidenced based decision making and relation management.

For customer focus, feedbacks from clients were given importance and continual improvement was promoted and supported by management. Employees who received appreciation from the customers were announced and appreciated during meetings and feedbacks posted in the freedom wall.

To enhance more the engagement of staff, 38 trainings were attended by the CDA workforce both at the regional and national levels. Further, it was supplemented by quarterly staff meetings, Regional Executive Committee (REXECOM) meetings, staff development activities and quarterly, semiannual and annual performance assessments. Orders, Memoranda, advisories were issued and communicated by the management as well as tracked for progress.

Complimentary, the resource needs were reviewed and addressed by management in terms of office supplies, equipment, replacement of furniture and fixture and printers for the employees to have a good working environment to work.

The CDA participated in the 4Ps Sustainable Livelihood Program of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) with financial support from DSWD amounting to Php 1,479,580.00. It likewise assisted National Tobacco Authority, through various technical assistance.

The strengthening of the micro and small cooperatives was made possible through various handholding activities, provision of Technical Advisory Services (TAS), capacity building in partnership with Local Government Units (LGUs), National Government Agencies (NGAs), Federation and Unions as well as the implementation of the Coop SEED, Koop-Kapatid Program and Big Brother Small Brother Program.

The CDA-DEO was also a recipient of various recognition from partner agencies namely: DSWD RO1 (1); City of Alaminos (2) and Province of La Union (2).

On its official capacity, the Regional Director also presented paper in Cooperative Statistics at Lyceum Northwestern University (LNU), Dagupan City last October 2018 and presented another paper on the Future of Philippine Statistics at the International Cooperative Conference, DAP, Tagaytay City.

Finally, supplementary to the advocacy of the Agency, the RDC-1 passed two resolution clarifying the issue on local taxation and supporting HB 5682 to make Cooperative Officer a mandatory position. The partnership with other NGAs like Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR), Department of Agriculture (DA), Agricultural Training Institute-Farmers' Training Centers (ATI FTC), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) was stronger due to various Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) at the national level and rolled over to the regional level.

Highlights of Tuguegarao EO

Region II, known as the Cagayan Valley Region, is located in the northeast portion of Luzon. It is composed of five provinces namely; Batanes, Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya and Quirino. Cagayan Valley is ranked as the 2nd largest in the country in terms of land area.

For 2018, the approved programs were categorized as: a) Cooperative Development Program (CDP); b) Cooperative Regulatory Program (CRP); c) Support to Operations (STO); and d) General Administration Services (GAS).

A. Cooperative Development Program. To achieve its mission of ensuring the safe and sound operations of cooperatives and to facilitate the implementation of the above mentioned programs, CDA TEO strategized and divided the technical personnel into 2 teams namely developmental and inspection.

The developmental team focused on the Cooperative Development Program while the Inspection Team focused on inspection of cooperatives.



Through these, 664 coops were able to secure COC for 2018, which is 2.3% higher than last year.

One of the new activities of CDA is the COOP-SEED Program. COOP-SEED is a CDA – DTI partnership. It is basically a capacity building program for members of micro and small cooperatives from identified provinces considered as poorest of the poor.

Forging of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Big Brother and Small Brother was undertaken in the province of Cagayan. The Big Brother coop is Nararagan Valley MPC of Ballesteros,

Cagayan while the Small Brother coop is Golden Harvest Cluster MPC of Abulug, Cagayan.



Another is the CDA on Wheels Program held last May 21-25, 2018 at Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya. This program aims to make services readily available to the clients in the area especially in the far-flung barangays of the province including the province of Quirino. This is a designed strategy to meet certain requests/requirements in a more expedient and convenient manner and maintain the agency's reputation as the promoter of cooperatives' growth.



In answer to the "Programa ng Pagbabago for Inmates" of the present government administration which aims to establish livelihood program for BJMP inmates, CDA, in coordination with TAM-AN BMPC, conducted training on Basic Coop Course and Coop Management & Governance among inmates and jail guards of BJMP Solano. The CDA Chairman and the CDA Regional Director were present on this activity.

During the first semester of 2018, CDA TEO and Oceanagold Philippines Inc. entered into a Memorandum of Agreement which aims to transform the SDMP assisted cooperatives into self-sustaining organizations. Various consultative meetings were held to know the plights and needs of these cooperatives and what circumstances hinder their growth into becoming self-sustaining organizations.

Innovation and Inclusiveness in the Cooperatives, Our Way to Excellence

Pampanga Extension Office (CDA-PEO) had a very productive 2018 as it surpassed majority of its targets. Aside from the numbers and counts reported, CDA-PEO would like to highlight the following activities in this year CDA Annual Report:

Global Money Week 2018

The CDA-PEO joined the 2018 Global Money Week (GMW) celebration for the first time last March 12 – 18, 2018 with the theme: “Money Matters Matter”. It was an international yearly celebration initiated by the Child and Youth Finance International (CYFI) that aims to inspire children and young people to learn about money matters, livelihood and entrepreneurship, and understand the importance of savings. In 2018, it was participated by 13,400 organizations from 151 countries across the globe. Here in the Philippines, there were three organizations participated in the event – the CDA-PEO, Banko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) and Marawi State University Iligan Institute of Technology (MSU-IIT) National Multi-Purpose Cooperative.

The GMW launch celebration in CDA-PEO on 12th of March was participated by 95 students from 11 Laboratory Cooperatives when they visited the BSP Printing and Minting Complex at Quezon City. The children witnessed the printing of bank notes, judicial forms, and other security documents. After viewing the production process, a fruitful open forum was conducted wherein the children asked questions on money matters. The children with their Guardian Cooperatives also visited the House of Representatives. They were privileged to have a meet and greet session with their respective District Representatives. They had the opportunity to witness the opening of a session of the 17th Congress and heard issues being tackled by various District and Party Representatives.



Students from St. Francis Development Cooperative in Baler, Aurora in their Poster Making Contest during the celebration of Global Money Week

Simultaneously throughout the week, various cooperatives in Region 3, conducted different activities. Some activities were Money Box Challenge, Slogan Making Contest, Poster Making Contest, Selfie Challenge, Jingle Making Contest, Unity Walk, and Hugot Challenge.

Towards the end of the week, seminars on Financial Literacy Forum and a Counterfeit Detection Seminar were carried out. The forum enabled children to analyze and recognize the skills needed to handle one's resources efficiently for lifetime security. Also, they learned how to distinguish various security features of the Philippine bank notes. Through the Global Money Week celebrations, the children gained experience that will influence their spending and saving habits. As economically empowered children, they can now create a positive future for themselves, their families and the whole community.

The Kooplympics

The fifth Regional Kooplympics hosted by the Provincial Government of Pampanga happened last October 19, 2018 in Bren Z. Guiao Convention Center and Pampanga Sports Complex, High School Blvd., Brgy. Lourdes, City of San Fernando, Pampanga with the theme “**Partners for Building Resilient and Empowered Communities Towards a Better and Stronger Philippines**”. The activity was participated by 2000 coop members from 1700 cooperatives in Region 3.

Pampanga EO...

The main objective of this event is to promote a friendly Cultural Competition aims to develop camaraderie among cooperatives as a way to strengthen the capacity of the cooperative sector in the region. It also offers a chance to showcase and bring out the provinces' various talents and skills embedded in each culture which serve as a significant engine for future cultural growth.

Some of the activities during the events were Cultural Presentations and Palarong Pinoy. Each province performed Cultural Presentation that depicts the concept of the festival of the province they came from. There were various games participated by cooperative members who attended the event. The day was full of fun. At the end of the activity, Province of Nueva Ecija brought home the 1st runner-up trophy, Bulacan, 2nd runner-up and Aurora, 3rd runner-up.



Participants' formation for the Suot, Lusot game during the Kooplympics 2018

Mainstreaming Gender and Development (GAD)

Part of the Cooperative Month celebration is the Cooperative Congress on Gender and Development (GAD) in Malolos, Bulacan on October 16 to 17, and 2nd Pampanga Coop Summit in San Fernando, Pampanga on October 29. A total of 3,442 cooperative members from 1,031 cooperatives attended these GAD events. The event in Bulacan was graced by the presence of the province top officials, Provincial Governor Alvarado, Vice-Governor Daniel R. Fernando, Congressman Jonathan Alvarado and CDA Chairman Orlando Ravanera while Board Member Anthony Torres graced the event in Pampanga. GAD Mainstreaming and GAD Tools was the main topic of the event both handled by Director Marieta P. Hwang. There were also speakers from selected cooperatives in Region 3 shared their cooperative GAD journey, namely; St. Martin of Tours Credit and Development Cooperative (Bulacan), Iwahori Multipurpose Cooperative (Bataan), Moncada Women's Credit Cooperative (Tarlac), Angeles City Employees Cooperative (Angeles City) and ASCCOM MPC (Apalit, Pampanga). Moreover, speakers from BIR, BLGF and DILG updates cooperatives on tax privileges such as securing Certificate of

Tax Exemption (CTE) and other incentives and privileges set forth in the CDA-BIR Joint Implementing Rules and Regulation Articles 60 and 61 of RA 9520 in relation to RA 8424 (National Internal Revenue Code), in availing the local tax exemption privileges, securing permits and licenses as well as the Tax Incentives Management and Transparency Act (TIMTA Law).



Bulacan Provincial Governor Wilhelmino Sy Alvarado in his opening remarks during the Regional Coop Congress in Malolos, Bulacan

The CDA Gawad Parangal 2018

The regional level 2018 Gawad Parangal was conducted October 16, 2018 during the Coop Congress held at Hiyas Convention Center in Malolos, Bulacan. A total of eighteen (18) entries received from different categories from which eleven (11) vie for the national level Gawad Parangal.

During the national level 2018 CDA Gawad Parangal Awarding Ceremony held last October 26, 2018 at Novotel, Quezon City. Region 3 cooperatives leaders, development officers and partners took home the following awards:

- San Jose Del Monte Credit and Savings Cooperative** - 3rd Place, Most Outstanding Primary Cooperative in Large Scale Billionaire
- Bagong Barrio Multipurpose Cooperative** - 1st Place, Most Outstanding Primary Cooperative in Large Scale Millionaire Category
- Watchlife Workers Multipurpose Cooperative** – 2nd Place, Most Outstanding Primary Cooperative in Large Scale Millionaire Category
- Provincial Cooperative and Enterprises Development Office (PCEDO)** - 1st Place, Best Performing LGU Cooperative Development Office - Provincial Level
- Marilao Municipal Cooperative Development Office** - 2nd Place, Best Performing LGU Cooperative Development Office – Municipal Level

CDA-PEO received a Plaque of Recognition from the Gawad Parangal organizers for garnering the most number of major winners/awardees.

CDA Calamba EO Impresses with High Ratings on Cooperative Compliance

The Cooperative Development Authority Calamba Extension Office (CDA CEO), being given the opportunity to serve two Regions, the CALABARZON and MIMAROPA Regions, endowed with inspiration, worked hard for the best service it could offer in the past years. It is proven through the fact that in spite of insufficient resources, such as funds and manpower, and of geographical challenges; it was still able to provide noteworthy deliverables in terms of accomplishments. It has consistently implemented and coordinated various CDA Plans, Programs, and Activities wherein the Extension Office has exceeded its target in a massive gap.

As the Regional Office increased its targets through the years, as it always do due to the ever increasing accomplishments, its personnel from technical to administrative have provided their utmost services and made use of their God-given talents for the betterment of the people it served, such as the cooperative members and other stakeholders. As a result, the cooperatives under the Extension Office's wings have expanded in number not just in registration but also in compliance to CDA's mandatory reports.

Compliance, being regarded as a manifestation of maintaining the cooperative values, principles, and cooperative's best practices, is one of the strictly implemented regulations of CDA to the cooperatives. Through the years, the CDA CEO was able to maintain high ranking in terms of cooperative compliance in Region IV.

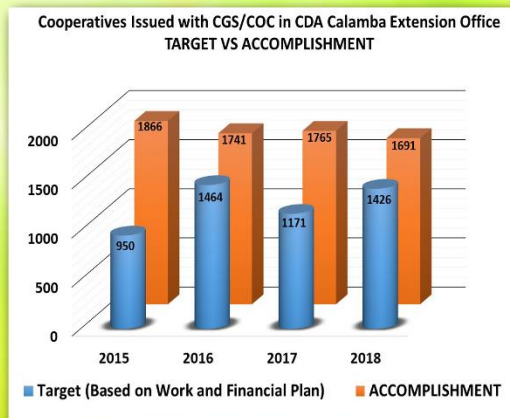
The increase on issued Certificate of Good Standing (CGS)/Certificate of Compliance (COC) from 2015 to 2016 can be due to the issuance of MC 2016-07 known as the "Amended Guidelines Governing the Issuance of Certificate of Compliance (COC)." The said amended guidelines loosen the mandatory requirements of cooperatives especially micro cooperatives and it has relaxed the imposition of penalties/charges on late submission of reports. On the other hand, there was an abrupt increase in the number of the issued COCs in the year 2017 due to the institutionalization to conduct compliance review on reportorial requirements on the first (1st) quarter of the year. Massive campaign on this activity was

conducted by the Regional Office. Also, Salvador V. Valeroso, Calamba Extension Office Director, instructed the Legal Section to intensify the issuance of Show Cause Orders for non-compliant cooperatives which mostly prompted to comply.

In addition, earlier detection of issues and challenges through regular and close monitoring have done miraculous changes to those cooperatives which seemed at a loss of when and how to start with the compliance. The high rating of the region speaks volume of its commitment to adhere to the core values instilled by the national office – ExCITE (Excellence, Commitment, Integrity and Teamwork).

Another ace that the region is proud of is the support of the well-capable Local Government Units from the Provincial Level to the City/Municipal Level. Having the support of the locality helps a lot in boosting cooperativism and empowering those people who are working behind it. The strong partnership does not just end on sponsorship on capacity building activities, the CDA and the LGUs work hand in hand on social and civic activities, and have accomplished short and long-term programs such as fora, scholarships, and many others in sustaining the continuous growth of the sector in different aspects.

In the years to come, the challenges of sustaining the high rating for the CALABARZON region, now that it has been separated from the MIMAROPA region, still stands. But the extension office is ready to face the challenge and fully geared up for the development and betterment of the cooperatives in the Region.



On the chart below, data shows that from Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 to 2018, the Extension Office over-accomplished its target based on the Work and Financial Plan (WFP) by 113%, 119%, 151% and 109%, respectively.

Cooperatives, Flywheel of Economic Growth and Social Development

Cooperative Transformation

In the long and successful tradition of cooperatives nationwide it has been resiliently proven that they can be transformed to meet the demands of social and economic needs of the members on one hand, and contributing directly to the growth of the community upon the other hand.

With the growth of cooperatives in recent years, the policy makers are continuously cognizant of the fact that a number of the existing and newly registered cooperatives remain vulnerable and weak, and confronted with challenges that delimit their growth.

These challenges include, among others, the lack of management and entrepreneurial skills among officers and members; capital deficiency and limited access to financial institutions and markets for their products; lack of compliance with the reportorial requirements; and lack of monitoring and evaluation of cooperatives' performance or development.

The CDA – Naga Extension Office has been addressing these challenges thorough regulatory and development policies that further create an enabling environment for coops' development and growth - and the centerpiece of these initiatives are the Micro and Small cooperatives.

Strategic Management Support Interventions

The CDA-Naga Extension Office extensively engaged in joint initiatives with stakeholders to holistically promote vibrant and viable cooperative movement in the region thus, embarked on the following areas:

1. Capacity building was institutionalized through training programs; and, enhanced corroboration/participation with the LGUs in all coop affairs;

- The **Cooperative School on Wheels** information caravan, was launched. It significantly helped the coop programs particularly in the compliance with reportorial requirements, simulation on computer encoding of reports.

2. Market linkages forged with the private businesses/organizations aimed at creating demands for coop products and services:

- Annual Bicol Business Month Celebration spearheaded by Naga City Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)
- DAR programs for Agrarian Reform Coops;
- SM/Robinson Malls showcasing of coop products;

3. Enhancing business infrastructure support through the KOOP Kapatid; Value Added/value chain; COOP SEED; Coop Business Matching Information System (CBMIS); Regional Agricultural & Fisheries Extension Network (RAFEN); Financial inclusion; Asset recovery program; Business Continuity Management, and many more, all for the purpose of improving viability and sustainability of our cooperatives. Likewise, partnership for Counter-insurgency Initiatives with the Philippine Army was held through convergence meetings among government agencies to widen support in the delivery of social services especially in the conflict-affected areas and to promote peace and development.

4. Capital Build up and Savings Mobilization program intensified through mentoring and monitoring to generate internal source of capital. Cooperative Savings and Time Deposit generated as of December 31, 2018 was Php1.2B with a total share capital contribution of Php2.3B.

Cooperatives creating value through value

The total population in Bicol Region from ages 15-64 year is **3.39 million** based on PSA:CPH/Quickstat Region V as of June 2018. While the total cooperative members as of **2018 is 292 thousand or 8.6%** who shared in the total Interest on Share capital and Patronage refund.

Significantly, these cooperatives are operating **1,158 businesses** with at least **Php8.6 billion pesos in assets**. These generated gross revenue of **2.3 billion pesos** and Net Surplus of **339.4 million pesos**. These also generated at least **5,700 employments**. These volume of business can be considered as contribution of the coop sector to the domestic market thus, stirs additional economic activity, in general terms.

On the other hand, the establishment of the Bicol Cooperative Resource Center and CBMIS, Coop SEED, encapsulated the marketing and capacity building initiatives of CDA for cooperatives to promote products and to have a common venue for education, training and other processes. These continuing capability and capacity enhancement activities for and by cooperatives added value not only to the human capital of cooperatives but more so to their economic and business projects. With this, fifteen (15) cooperatives have graduated to a higher category of asset size. Eight (8) Micro Coops improved their asset performance and have moved to Small Category. Likewise, seven (7) small coops moved to Medium category.

The support of the LGUs and other partners, from the National Government Agencies and private sector organizations, like the Metro Naga Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MNCCI), DTI's "Orgullo kan Bikol", also contributed to this achievement. Likewise, the Agrarian, Agriculture, Dairy cooperatives, Producer Multipurpose cooperatives engaged in agricultural production have also contributed to the production side of the Bicol agriculture.

Cooperatives - magnanimous in surplus

Social responsibility is inherent to cooperative existence. Cooperatives in the region have regularly conducted immersion activities in various communities funded from their own surpluses. These ranges from environmental concerns like tree planting and coastal clean-ups; sports development; entertainment/literary contest; paskohan sa kooperatiba; and nutrition programs for the children that included the indigenous people.

Cooperatives quest to equality

The cooperatives' modest achievements to date have gone further in guaranteeing its claim to economic and social rights that can be a prelude in mitigating inequities besetting our society, more particularly, the marginalized sector.

The increasing awareness and participation of the communities in cooperative organization and business ventures are affirmative actions in the direction of achieving greater measure of equality and promoting social justice as commanded by law. Indeed, this is the difference that we can make as active players in the cooperative development.

With this, it is noteworthy to paraphrase part of Robert Frost's poem: *The coops are lovely, dark and deep. But we have promises to keep, and miles to go before we sleep, and miles to go before we sleep.* (CDA-NAGA)



ICCDC: Gives Life to the Universal Principles of Cooperation

The best way to express our love and concern with neighborhood, especially to the less of our brethren is through the enliven spirit of cooperativism. Iloilo City Cooperative Development Council (ICCDC), is one of the organizations that gives life to the seven (7) universally accepted Principles of Cooperation as defined in Article 4 of RA 9520 otherwise known as the Philippine Cooperative Code of 2008.

Principles of Education, Training and Information, Cooperation among Cooperatives and Concern for Community, are among the 7 Cooperative Principles that serve as guiding/inspiring principles of the council in successfully commemorating the Cooperative Month every year.

The medical and legal consultation, updates and feeding program conducted and attended by more than 300 residents at Brgy. Calubihan, Jaro, Iloilo City on October 20, 2018 are among the council's institutionalized activities in the cooperative month – long celebration spearheaded by host “Lapaz Cooperatives” namely: West Visayas State University MPC (WVSU MPC), PHILHEALTH Kapamilya MPC, Global Panay MPC, ISAT-U Community MPC and Iloilo National High School Faculty and Employees MPC (INHS-FEMPC) in partnership with various providers/sponsors.

Beneficiaries of the program were provided with free medical check-ups by the WVSU Medical Center Doctors, Medical students and clinical clerks. Likewise, they were provided with free medicines and vitamins.

Back to back activity with the Medical Mission, is the PHILHEALTH Updates on their Membership Registration Procedures, Benefit Packages and Availment Procedures conducted by Mr. Dex Jesson T. Belleza, PIO I/Manager, PhilHealth Kapamilya MPC as facilitated by PHILHEALTH Kapamilya MPC.

On the other hand, the Feeding Program with the tagline of “Sa COOP, Bida ang Saya” is another institutionalized activity of the council, was conducted with the assistance of the 12 cooperatives and Association of Cooperatives Management Students (ACMS) of WVSU in tandem with Jollibee Food Corporation, as sponsor.

Through these fruitful endeavors, ICCDC in collaboration with partners, is really a vehicle, a mechanism that can mobilize participation towards the realization of the ideology of cooperativism, particularly cooperative principles into action.



WVSU College of Medicine Volunteers checking vital signs of patients.....

Advanced Cooperative Development by Strong Alliances and Partnerships

Geographically the provinces of Region 7 were separated by seas however, the Cooperative Development Authority - Cebu Extension Office uniquely accomplished its tasks and come up with regional accomplishment through alliances and partnerships.

The Cooperative Development Authority Cebu Extension Office garnered a remarkable accomplishment in the handholding the 1,093 small, micro and medium cooperatives covering the provinces of Bohol, Cebu, Negros Oriental and Siquijor.

The local government units, partner government agencies, stakeholders and cooperative members were united and worked as one team to achieve success and promote social justice and equity.

Different training and enhancement seminars discussing the topics on Financial Management and Financial Literacy, Parliamentary Procedure, Simplified Bookkeeping, GAD Mainstreaming, Leadership and Values Re-orientation were conducted. Advocacy activities like Roadshow on the Cooperative Business Matching Information System (CBMIS), Seminar on Tax Incentives Management Transparency Act (TIMTA), Orientation on Federalism, the Philippine Cooperative Medium Term Development Plan, and Cooperative Summits were also conducted which resulted to 790 cooperatives compliant of the mandatory reports and issuance of 813 Certificate of Compliance.

Subsequently, the COOP-SEED under the CDA-DTI Partnership Program was successfully implemented in Negros Oriental with two (2) cooperative beneficiaries classified as micro and small, respectively. Forty (40) cooperative members were trained in the savings mobilization and capital build up program (SMCBU), product development and packaging, entrepreneurial and skills development, marketing and pricing.

The implementation of the COOP-SEED Project was well supported by the Provincial Government and local government units of Valencia and Pamplona, Negros Oriental; Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), the Philippine Federation of Credit Cooperative-Visayas (PFCCO-Visayas); Negros Oriental Union of Cooperatives (NEORUNCO) with the active project focal persons of CDA: Mrs. Cipriana C. Mumar, Sr. CDS and Ms. Gracia Nenita B. Banogon, Cooperative Development Specialist II.

The partnership was further strengthened by the forging of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the CDA and the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) together with the agrarian cooperatives: Lamac Multipurpose Cooperative of Lamac Pinamungajan, Cebu. Perpetual Help Community Cooperative in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental, Tinabangay sa mga Mag-uuma Gasa ni San Isidro of Trinidad and Libertad Multipurpose Cooperative of Tubigon, Bohol, and Catulayan Community Multipurpose Cooperative of Catulayan, Siquijor.

On the other hand, fourteen (14) agrarian cooperatives in Region 7 were beneficiaries of the “KOOP-KAPATID” Program. The program aims provide long term plan for capability building to capacitate the officers, management staff and members of the small brothers and to emulate the best practices of the big brother cooperatives.

The CDA-DA Partnership Program identified 5 cooperatives engaged in agriculture. They were given the necessary technical assistance as part of the deliverables of CDA and logistic support from the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) of Region 7. All the 5 cooperative beneficiaries complied with the submission of mandatory reports and were all issued a Certificate of Compliance.

More collaboration with cooperative stakeholders have enabled the CDA Cebu Extension Office to participate in the international conferences, such as the attendance to the International Youth Day in Lamac, Pinamungajan, Cebu on August 17-20, 2018 and the Second Seminar on Farmer’ Cooperatives Development for the Philippines in Beijing, China on October 14-20, 2018.

CEBU EO

2018 was a milestone for the cooperative movement in Region 7 as evidenced by the prestigious awards and citations given by the Cooperative Development Authority.

Lamac Multipurpose Cooperative, Pinamungajan, Cebu, received the “Most Outstanding Cooperative Large Category -Billionaire Cooperative,” likewise, the “Hall of Fame Award” for consistently winning the award for three years.

Atty. Gloria G. Futralan, of Silliman University Multipurpose Cooperative in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental garnered the “Most Outstanding Cooperative Leader.”

Two cooperatives from Negros Oriental received special citations. DCCCO Multipurpose Cooperative was cited as “Excellence in Providing Financial Products and Services to Members” and Negros Oriental II Electric Cooperative as “Best Performing Electric Cooperative.”

Indeed, building strong alliances and partnerships, helped Cebu Extension Office deliver its mandate.



Initiatives on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation

The PH Haiyan Advocacy Cooperative, was organized primarily by Typhoon Haiyan survivors in Tacloban City. The Cooperative envisions developing Tacloban City into a model City for climate proofing (CCA) by redesigning systems around climate change defenses and emergency response. It envisions to rebuild the resiliency of our life support system (land, air and water) thru a concerted effort of Yolanda survivors towards HEALING Tacloban City and make it SAFE against super storms and other threats of climate change. It

groups (e.g. informal settlers, fishers, urban poor, farmers, etc.) thru proper responses institutionalized by the development and implementation of plans and projects such as of early warning systems, resettlement to safer grounds, continuous trainings on disaster preparedness, response and relief operations. It shall be implemented in Tacloban City covering both the interacting biophysical and socio-economic systems where adaptation strategies are geared towards addressing the Social, Economic and Environmental conditions for a climate resilient City.

PH-Haiyan is a survivors' project on how Tacloban City should build the resiliency of its interdependent systems to appropriately respond to a Mega storm like Super Typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda) and other extreme events brought about by climate change. It envisions strengthening the adaptive mechanism of the different ecosystems along elevation gradients following the nature-based landscape approach from Ridge-to-Reef. It addresses the need for improving the adaptive capacity of vulnerable groups (e.g. informal settlers, fishers, urban poor, farmers, etc.) thru proper responses institutionalized by the development and implementation of plans and projects such as of early warning systems, resettlement to safer grounds, continuous trainings on disaster preparedness, response and relief operations. It shall be implemented to start in Tacloban City covering both the interacting biophysical and socio-economic systems where adaptation strategies are geared towards addressing the Social, Economic and Environmental conditions for a climate resilient City.



*PH Haiyan Advocacy Cooperative's
initiatives on mangrove rehabilitation,
Tacloban City*

The PH Haiyan Advocacy Cooperative in collaborative Coordination with the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) Tacloban Extension Office and the Climate Change Commission (CCC) and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) had conducted the Regional Conference on Climate Change Mitigation and Adptation in 2016 and 2017. For 2018, the tripartite of PH Haiyan Advocacy Cooperative, CDA and DENR this time with the Department of

Energy (DOE), collaborated on the conduct of the brought together stakeholders from the cooperative sector, Local Government and non-government sectors for a Visayas Cooperative Conference on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation with the theme "Cooperative Efforts in Action: a Response to Climate Change" that is designed to link science with policy and practice. The conference was geared towards raising awareness about the threats posed by this natural phenomenon and the actions which the various sectors of our communities can jointly undertake in order to alleviate or adapt to its often perilous effects.

The Conference was held on November 5-6, 2018 at the Leyte Academic Center in Pawing, Palo, Leyte with nearly three hundred (300) participants from different cooperatives all over the Visayas Regions. Topics discussed included: The Science of Climate change; Climate change experiences and impact on coastal communities; the science of risk reduction and early warning system; Policies vis-a-vis implemented programs combatting climate change; LGU Climate change action planning; Role of Cooperative sector in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation efforts.

Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla, welcome the participants and guests. Other Speakers were Arnold Grant Belder, Climate Change Commission, DENR Regional Executive Director Atty. Crizaldy M. Barcelo, Sealtiel Patino, Lourdes Tibig, Rodulfo Cabias all of CCC, Jefferson Flores of LNU, CDA Chairperson- Orlando R. Ravanera; Dr. Lito Casas and Dr. Gerry de Cadiz of EVSU; DOE Usec. Raul Aguillos.



*An Advocacy Cooperative for Climate Change
Adaptation and Mitigation*

CDA-DTI COOP-SEED PROGRAM: A Partner of Change, a Partner for Change

The CDA-Pagadian Extension Office, through the Cooperative Project Development and Assistance Section (CPDAS), headed by Senior CDS Elvira Dioquino, launched the adoption of the Cooperative-SEED project by virtue of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signed by the CDA-DTI in this partnership program. In the course of implementation of the program, with the meticulous and rigid screening, validating and profiling of the aspirant coops under the region, the extension office identified two (2) cooperatives which were to be the beneficiary of the said program, namely Salug Small Coconut Farmers MPC (SASCOFAMCO) under the category of micro cooperative and Barcelona Innovative Cacao Growers Agriculture Cooperative (BICAGROW) which is under the small category of cooperative.



The SASCOFAMCO is a cooperative located at Canawan, Salug, Zamboanga del Norte under the category of small cooperative, a beneficiary of COOP-SEED under the CDA-DTI Partnership. SASCOFAMCO has been operating as the consolidator for small coconut farmers within the municipality both member and non-member for their copra products.



Operating for almost 15 years, the cooperative has been producing and generating income which opened opportunities and ease to market accessibility to both members and non-members of the cooperative. As a consolidator, SASCOFAMCO buys the copra of the local farmers, consolidates and delivers it to Dipolog City, which they deliver at least once a week with a volume of 10 tons per delivery.

As a beneficiary of the COOP-SEED program under the partnership of the CDA-DTI, they have been engaged in numerous capability building training and workshops in, which they effectively and are presently applying in the course of their business. In the words of their Manager, Mr. Rolando Pañales, he said that through the COOP-SEED program, they were able to smoothly run their operations because of the technical assistance provided by the program. In addition, they were also able to establish an image which made them known and recognized by other government agencies, hence opened extensive opportunities for the cooperative to be able to receive assistance from Department of Agriculture (DA), Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) and other Non-Government Organization (NGOs).

Another beneficiary of the project is the Barcelona Innovative Cacao Growers Agriculture Cooperative (BICAGROW), a cooperative organized by small cacao farmers, for the purpose of having a consolidator of their products to meet a better production and marketing.

BICAGROW is a newly registered cooperative which started its operation last February 2017. The group of farmers started as a union which they later on created and organized into a cooperative. With the intention of growing their operation, the cooperative acts as the consolidator of the products of individual farmers in buying their wet beans. The wet beans are then processed in the cooperative from its fermentation, drying, roasting, grinding up to its finished product – the tableya, with the members as the volunteer workers during the process. Each individual member-farmers has already identified their market, thus, each member sells their product to different areas, in Dipolog, Dapitan, Zamboanga and even some cities and areas in Visayas and Luzon based on their identified market. Hence, the cooperative has strengthened not only their production and packaging, but it also helped them to establish wide range of areas in marketing their products.

As a beneficiary of the COOP-SEED Program, the newly-organized cooperative has been exposed to various trainings and workshops which helped them in running and managing their operations. In one interview of their Chairman, Mr. Edgardo Imperial, he said that the technical assistance helped them a lot in the course of their operations, specially being a rookie in the management and the field cooperative. But this has not been a challenge or hindrance for them to be able to successfully carry-out their operations. Through the COOP-SEED Program, the cooperative has been guided in achieving their dreams to be one of the biggest tableya producers, not only within the region, but to be well known all over the Philippines as well.

The extension office considered this project as one of its most successful projects adopted and implemented. It did not only pave the way to elevate marketing and entrepreneurial aspects of the cooperative, but most of all it leaves the impact that CDA will always be A PARTNER OF CHANGE, and A PARTNER FOR CHANGE to its clientele.

CDA CDO EO Training & Development Breakthroughs

For calendar year 2018, CDA Region 10 has conducted training breakthroughs that surpassed its yearly target.

Pre-Registration Seminars (PRS)

CDA 10 has conducted/facilitated sixty-four (64) Pre-Registration Seminars (PRS) for 97 proposed cooperatives with 2,913 individuals. 35% of PRS conducted are for proposed transport service cooperatives. The PRS conducted has translated into 50 cooperatives registered for the year. Of the 50 coops registered, seven are transport service cooperatives.

Reportorial Requirement Fora

CDA 10 has also conducted/facilitated 12 fora on reportorial requirements. Around 320 cooperatives across the region have attended the said fora participated in by 673 cooperative members. The significance of these series of fora conducted resulted to 86% compliance in the submission of mandatory reports and around 940 issued Certificate of Compliance (COCs), out of the total number of active cooperatives of 1,096 as of January 2018.

Mandatory Reports Submission and Issued COCs

The 86% turn-out of mandatory report submission and issued COCs was made possible through the provision audit services by the accredited cooperative external auditors (CEAs) in the region.

Accredited External Auditors (CEAs)

CDA 10 has 34 active accredited cooperative external auditors. They are scattered all over the provinces and cities in the region. Other than audit services, some CEAs also provide consultancy and bookkeeping services.

Mandatory and Enhancement Trainings

Sixty-nine (69) various mandatory trainings were conducted/facilitated by the CDA during the year. Almost 1,000 micro cooperatives have benefitted the free conduct of mandatory trainings. Most of the trainings are fundamentals and governance and management of coops. Around 5,000 members from micro cooperatives have attended the said trainings. Other capacity building are enhancement trainings which micro, small to medium cooperatives in the area have attended for free. Enhancement trainings are Parliamentary Procedure, Entrepreneurship training and Financial Management. All told, CDA 10 was able to provide 69 mandatory trainings to 1,388 cooperatives with the attendance of 5,781 members.

Local Government Units (LGUs)

Local Government Units (LGUs) played an important role in the successful conduct of these trainings. The LGUs provided the logistics including provision of food for the participants. Conduct of these activities in a way further cemented the strong partnership between CDA and the LGUs with the CDA able to maximize the basic services of the LGUs in cooperatives development.



*Proposed DOH-TRC Credit Coop PRS @
Upper Puerto, CDO (March 8, 2018)*



*Jasaan, Misamis Oriental Orientation/Briefing
on the Mandatory Reports (March 6, 2018)*

CAGAYAN DE ORO EO...

Cooperative Development Councils (CDCs)

These are further exemplified to increased number of organized Cooperative Development Councils (CDCs) in all levels. Majority if not all Provincial CDCs have approved budget allocations from the LGUs concerned. This is true to the provinces of Bukidnon, Misamis Oriental and Lanao del Norte. Some CDCs in big cities and municipal have also approved budget allocations for cooperative trainings and livelihood projects.

Accredited Training Providers (ATPs)

CDA 10 has also four (4) accredited training providers (ATP). ATPs provided various trainings mostly mandatory in nature to medium and large cooperatives.

Enforcement

The effectiveness and the quality of their trainings are manifested in fewer records of intra-cooperative disputes and complaints received by the CDA. For the year 2018, CDA has only received a minimal 14 complaints and/or request for legal opinion.

Financial Strength

With the success of these initiatives in the field of development and capacity-building of cooperatives, we have recorded a total asset of all cooperatives in Region 10 for the year 2018 to have reached 37B from the recorded 31B in the previous year 2017. This fund will go a long way in spurring the growth of cooperatives as major player in the arena of economic development and making life better for the struggling and marginalized sector of the society.

CDA 10 indubitably has proven equal to the task mandated by law to be a practical vehicle for self-reliance and harnessing people power for the attainment of economic development and social justice.



*Pangantucan Cooperative Month Celebration
Tree Growing beside Lake Napalet and
Feeding Program of 100 children in
Pigtauranan Elementary School (Grades 1-3
selected pupils mostly IPs)
Hosted by LGU & MCDC Pangantucan
October 3, 2018*

*Trade Fair display of COOP
Seed:CDA-DTI Partnership
Program during the 14th Coop
National Summit, SM
Convention Center, Davao
City, October 3-5, 2018.*



SERBISYO CARAVAN and KOOP KAPATID PROGRAM

The Cooperative Development Authority – Davao Extension Office, in partnership with the Provincial Cooperative Development Office (PCDO) and Province of Davao Oriental, conducted a Serbisyo Caravan and Launching of the Koop Kapatid Program on Sept. 7, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol Gym, Mati City, Davao Oriental.

The event was attended by one hundred twenty one (121) cooperative officers and members from neighboring municipalities of Banaybanay, Lupon, San Isidro, Gov. Generoso, Manay, Caraga, Cateel, Baganga and Mati City. The support of the PCDO and the Province of Davao Oriental was evident. Present in the occasion were Mr. Rotchie M. Ravelo – PCDO; Mr. Ednar G. Dayanghirang – Executive Assistant V; Hon. Gracia M. Tiago – City Councilor.



The basic services of CDA were literally brought to the cooperatives in Davao Oriental. This was ably supported by Extension Office Director Elma R. Oguis, Supervising CDS Antonio C. Escobar, the Unit Heads of Registration, Supervision and Examination, and CRITS. The cashier and bookkeeper were also present.

True to its calling, the team arrived at the venue as early as 8:00 a.m. notwithstanding the fact that they had to travel all the way from Davao City at early dawn. As cooperative members arrived, the feeling of excitement was all over. Each one had his own motive for coming and hopeful that his purpose will be realized. The CDA personnel were excited and eager to serve the clientele. Services were rendered even before the formal opening of the event and lasted up to 4:30 p.m. The Registration Unit was able to evaluate two (2) new applications for registration and three (3) proposed amendments. The Supervision and Examination Unit was able to

process and release eight (8) Certificate of Compliance (COC) on the spot and two (2) COCs previously prepared. Clients with legal queries were attended to by Mr. Escobar.



Towards mid-morning after the personalities have given their respective messages, the MOA-signing for Koop Kapatid (Big Brother Helping Small Brother) Program followed. The identified Big Brothers were: 1) Davao Oriental Market Multipurpose Cooperative (DOMMUPCO); 2) Davao Oriental Health Personnel Multipurpose Cooperative (DOHPMPC); 3) Yagakaunyon na Kooperatiba ng San Agustin. The identified Small Brothers were: 1) Mati City Lapagan Multipurpose Cooperative (MALACO); 2) Mayo Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries Multipurpose Cooperative (MAGREBEMCO); 3) Don Ignacio Mandaya Consumers Cooperative. Among the responsibilities of the Big Brother are: 1) To assist CDA in the provision of technical, training and capacity building activities to the cooperative beneficiary; 2) To allocate funds and provide financial assistance to the Micro Cooperative/s chargeable against their Community Development Fund (CDF).

Among the responsibilities of the Small Brother are: 1) To religiously attend and actively participate in trainings and capacity building activities of the CDA; 2) To update CDA on the growth and development of cooperative being subsidized by Big Brother cooperative annually.

A Pre-Registration Seminar (PRS) was conducted in the afternoon, which was attended by twenty-six (26) hopeful members of the proposed cooperative.

It was indeed a fulfilling day with the clients extending their appreciation and thanks to CDA for finding time to bring the services to them.

Marawi Rehabilitation Through Cooperativism Project

2018 is another year of surprises for CDA and the Cooperative Sector. One of these surprises is the celebration of the International Day of Cooperatives after several years that this important day for the cooperative movement worldwide has been relegated to the deep recesses of the agency's memory and overshadowed by its other priority endeavors. This celebration is special because it is some sort of a reawakening to the reality that there is such a day for the cooperative movement every year.



The celebration was even more special because it was held in Marawi City, a city ravaged by a senseless war, merciless pillage and looting by the godless, a city that was so rich in cultural history, human hospitality and economic vitality, a city that is now nothing but rubbles, rubbles, and more rubbles.

The slogan of the day said it all: "Building sustainable communities through cooperation"!

The celebration was simultaneously held with the launching of the "Marawi Rehabilitation thru Cooperativism Project" - a 76 million – peso project of the CDA under the Bangon Marawi initiatives of the national government to help rebuild the ruined city, the livelihood of its people, and the hope of its future. It was held in the Social Hall of the Provincial Capitol of Lanao del Sur in Brgy. Buadi Sacayo, Marawi City.



CDA Board of Administrators, Admin. Sam Guinomla, Admin. Paisal Cali, Admin. Ched Castillo, Admin. Benjie S. Oliva, Gen. Felicisimo Budiongan, former Admin. Penny Disimban, Actor Robin Padilla, CDA ARRM Admin. Dim Radja, Marawi Coop Leaders Haron Esmael and Abdul Salam Bato, CDA Regional Directors and Personnel in a photo opportunity during the ceremonial turnover of check amounting to Seventy Six Million Pesos (P76M) representing the budget for 2018 implementation of the Marawi Rehabilitation thru Cooperative Project.

The Php76 Million ceremonial check was awarded by then OIC Chairman Oliva, assisted by the other members of the Board, Mr. Padilla and General Budiongan to the Representatives of the Marawi City cooperatives in the persons of Mr. Abdul Salam Batao and Mr. Haron Esmael and witnessed by the City Cooperative Officer, Sultan Jawar Domato.



From left to right) Former CDA Administrator, Pendatun B. Disimban, Actor Robin Padilla, the Founding Chairman and President of Liwanag ng Kapayapaan Foundation and Tindig Marawi, CDA OIC Chairman Benjie S. Oliva, Administrator Gen. Felicisimo Budiongan of Task Force Bangon Marawi during the 2018 celebration of International Day of Cooperatives and Launching of the Marawi Rehabilitation thru Cooperativism Project held on July 7, 2018 at the Provincial Capitol, Marawi City, Lanao Del Sur.

The last highlight of the activity was the trip to the Ground Zero wherein the CDA Officers and staff saw for themselves how pride, bigotry, and foolishness can transform a cultural citadel, priceless heritage, innocent lives, and valued properties into ghosts and ashes.

Target number of cooperatives for 2018 is 73 with 7,277 beneficiaries. As of December, 2018, One hundred three (103) cooperatives with 4,500 member- beneficiaries were given financial assistance.

Mindanao Peace And Normalization Project

This is a project for pre-selected cooperatives in Mindanao consists of one (1) Mobile Rice Mill and Financial Assistance for livelihood support program to sustain the coop's business operation amounting to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php 250,000.00) per cooperative.

On August 2, 2018, the Cooperative Development Authority-Kidapawan Extension Office conducted a turnover ceremony of 25 Units of Sutana Brand Mini-Rice Mill with De-Stoner at Daryl Hall, AJ High Time Hotel, Kidapawan City. The ceremony was witnessed by the CDA Administrators for Mindanao Admin. Abdulsalam A. Guinomla and Admin. Paisal I. Cali together with Kidapawan Extension Office

Director Aminoden A. Elias, Sen. JV Ejercito representative, former CDA Adm. Pendatun Disimban, CDA XII-COA Resident Auditor Stephenson Daniel Matas together with the Cooperative-Beneficiaries for Mindanao Peace and Normalization Cooperative Development Project.



AWARDING OF CHECKS



PROVINCE	TYPE OF PROJECT	BENEFICIARIES	AMOUNT
NORTH COTABATO & COTABATO CITY	Mini Rice Mill and Financial Assistance	3 cooperatives	Rice Mill- 650,000.00 Financial Assistance -250,000.00
SOUTH COTABATO	Mini Rice Mill and Financial Assistance	1 cooperative	Rice Mill- 650,000.00 Financial Assistance -250,000.00
SARANGANI	Mini Rice Mill and Financial Assistance	2 cooperatives	Rice Mill- 650,000.00 Financial Assistance -250,000.00
SULTAN KUDARAT	Mini Rice Mill and Financial Assistance	2 cooperatives	Rice Mill- 650,000.00 Financial Assistance -250,000.00
LANAO DEL SUR	Mini Rice Mill and Financial Assistance	10 cooperatives	Rice Mill- 650,000.00 Financial Assistance -250,000.00
MAGUINDANAO	Mini Rice Mill and Financial Assistance	6 cooperatives	Rice Mill- 650,000.00 Financial Assistance -250,000.00

CDA-CAR EO Institutionalizes PRS and Reinforces Learnings

The passage of CDA MC 2017-02 or the conduct of Pre-Registration Seminar (PRS) is a sole developmental function of CDA for the social preparation of groups registering as cooperatives. Protection of the public from fly-by-night cooperatives is the primary concern of CDA-CAR in institutionalizing and in conducting of PRS.

It is not just to comply with the MC, but the CDA-CAR does it with significance by immersing PRS participants to reality with a partner primary cooperative – the Mothers and Family Multipurpose Cooperative (MOFAMCO). The PRS partnership is purposely to reinforce the learning of PRS participants. In fact, in the regular schedule of every third Friday of the month, there is an increasing groups availing of the program. If they do not register as group, they immediately sign up as cooperative members. Some groups visiting Baguio City attend the CDA-CAR PRS because of its definite schedule and accessible venue.



The arrow and signage entices groups outside of CAR in its every third Friday of the month PRS. Façade of the venue, the MOFAMCO, reinforces the learnings of the PRS participants as can see for themselves the various MOFAMCO businesses.

PRS Creates More Businesses Through Cooperatives

To articulate the International Cooperative Alliance's 2020 vision that cooperative will be the business structure preferred by people and as the fastest growing enterprise, the CDA-CAR saw the importance of partnering with the Mothers and Family MPC (MOFAMCO) as it is the appropriate venue for building the right business mind set of the participants, strategic for benchmarking of participants when they undertake their cooperative businesses, accessible for participants in CAR and other groups from other region.

Response to Challenges to Develop Micro Coops

If the passage of CDA MC2017-01 is seen as a response to the CDA challenge on what it does to development micro coops, the CDA-CAR has again institutionalized the collaboration among micro coops, the conduct, to comply with the training requirements. Micro cooperatives are now initiating and collaborating among themselves in pooling part of their CETF to defray the expenses meals and during the required trainings.



Product and Entrepreneurial Development Program

The CDA endeavoured to conduct the first Weavers Forum to develop the products of the weaving industry through the Cordillera Weavers' Producers Cooperative (CWPC). In the forum, roles of each actor in the industry were laid down and the CDA-CAR's role is to train officers on the basic of cooperative management.



From Left: Mr. Rey Laureano, station manager; Atty. Franco B. Bawang, invited farmer-members of Taloy Norte MPC; Mr. Martin B. Manodon.

Outreach Programs

Reaching out to the public is building image. Every Monday at 5-6 in the morning is a CDA-CAR hour. It is widely heard because of the prime time when early riser tune in to their radio. In the radio program, listeners ask questions and CDA as anchor answers. Most of the interactions pertains to ethical standards and cooperative management.

Advocacy Program for Ownership of Electric Cooperatives

One of the best, if not the model of all electric cooperatives entire the Philippines is the Benguet Electric Cooperative (BENECO) with AA+ category. Because of the constant and consistent effort of CRITS CDA-CAR in persuading through developed IEC materials, BENECO has now realized the importance of member-consumers to own their distribution utility. In the developed IEC material distributed by CRITS, CDA-CAR, ownership is important to prevent oligarchs in buying-out distribution utilities not yet owned by electric consumers.

BENECO AGMA unanimously approving its registration with CDA

No amount of debate on the advantages and disadvantages if an electric cooperative is with CDA or NEA can convince non-stock electric cooperatives or those under NEA to change their management position and convert as stock electric cooperative under CDA. However, the effort of CDA-CAR in emphasizing the importance of ownership yielded significant and astounding approval by BENECO management. There were three separate BENECO AGMA conducted to test the member-consumers' approval. In all the three AGMA, it was BENECO management moving for the registration with CDA.



Atty. Delmar Carino, IDD Head of BENECO explaining the purpose of conversion from non-stock to stock distribution utility to approximately 6,321 member-consumers in the AGMA held on June 16, 2018 in Tublay, Benguet

Programs to Strengthen Social Responsibility of Cooperatives

The CDA-CAR has used the CDA proclamation that October 20 of every year be the National Cooperative Day of the Philippines as an avenue cooperative to pledge and commit to whatever cause the cooperative in the region would undertake to improve the community in order for the regional cooperative movement to advance. There was convergence of big cooperatives during the devastation of typhoon Ompong in Itogon, Benguet. Each cooperative pledge cash donation to the Lower Gomok MPC intended for the community and for the fast recovery of loss incurred by Lower Gomok MPC.

Institutionalizing a Yearly Activity on National Cooperative Day of the Philippines Blueprint

Rationale: Institutionalizing the celebration of the National Cooperative Day of the Philippines at the local level is imperative as a way to fortify the image of cooperatives and to reinforce among their member-owners the sense of ownership. At the organizational level, the symbiotic participation of cooperatives with host community and the government is strategic in the quest to preserve planet, people towards prosperity and peace.

The CDA-CAR segmented each role of the three big secondary cooperatives in the region for the purpose of institutionalizing the celebration of the National Cooperative Day of the Philippines. The activities under the first option is strongly suggested to all provinces and cities in CAR for a localized celebration by the cooperatives every October 20. Likewise, every October 20 of every year, the PCDCs with its MCDCs and CCDCs are to spearhead a show of force in their respective provinces using the suggested show of force as preliminary and select among the options as part of the provincial or city celebration.

After the show of force preliminaries, a solid work for environment preservation will follow. There are options for provinces and cities to undertake in partnership with the three regional secondary cooperatives (CARCU, NORLUCEDEC, NORWESLU).

Cooperative Solid Work: Reforestation of Denuded Area Program (For Planet)

The PCDC/CCDC through the CDOs to coordinate with their counterpart Environment Officers for forging of MOA, if possible.

1st Option: Generational Sustainability Program: Improving Laboratory Cooperatives and Transport Cooperatives (C/O CARCU)

The PCDC/CCDC through the CDOs to coordinate with the DepEd Superintends for forging of MOA, if possible, on the following roles/activity for Laboratory Cooperatives and Transport Cooperative.

2nd Option: Developing The Agricultural Marketing Through Cooperative Business Structures (c/o NORLUCEDEC)

The PCDC/CCDC through the CDOs to coordinate with Transport officer of LGUs to inventory existing routes and petitions for additional fleet and new routes

3rd Option: Financial Inclusion and Cooperative Governance and Management (NORWESLU)

The PCDC/CCDC through the CDOs to coordinate the Micro, Small, Medium, Large, Billionaire cooperatives.

Caring Through Monitoring

Regulation means protection of coop members and the public, this is the task of Supervision and Examination Unit (SEU). Regulation ensures that cooperatives are compliant to laws, issuances, rules, policies, guidelines and standards. SEU implements three (3) Monitoring Mechanisms to enforce regulation: (1) Issuance of Certificate of Compliance after coops have complied the required annual reports, (2) Annual Inspection, and (3) Examination.

The year 2018 is the last year of the Supervision and Examination (SEU) to bear this name. In 2019, this will be a full-pledged section to be known as “Regulatory Unit” to function the monitoring tasks of the Regulatory Program of this Extension office.

It befits for it to be highlighted and featured as a delivery unit which accomplished the targets of the regulatory program at the time being and even when considered only as an “attached unit”.

Kindness is caring. SEU gives and receives cooperation to make significant contributions to the coop sector.



Annual Tradition During the month of April - CDA Caraga working as a team to assist coops in their compliance to submit reports

Annual Inspection

Nine (9) technical personnel were hired on the second quarter of 2018. This reinforcement contributed to the 97% accomplishment of the target for the year 2018.



Healthcare personnel-coop officer @ Precious Life Health Service Cooperative, Bayugan City, Agusan de Sur takes time to be present during coop inspection.

Excited SEU

An orientation-training program was conducted last April 3, 2018 on the plans, programs and activities of the Supervision and Examination Unit, particularly for the newly-hired technical personnel. A more in-depth training-workshop followed in August 28-31, 2018 to equip the “newbies” and refresh the “regulars” Cooperative Development Specialists (CDS II’s) on cooperative laws, and CDA standards; instilling in them the CDA’s Core Values --- Excellence, Commitment, Integrity and Teamwork (EXCITE).



Manila EO Highlights

In its effort to deliver quality and efficient services to the public, MEO had successfully conducted several activities to address the immediate concerns of the Cooperative Sector in the National Capital Region.

Compliance Forum – From January to March of every year, the CDA-MEO is regularly conducting Compliance Forum in every city and municipality of Metro Manila in coordination with the different Cooperative Development Offices in the entire NCR. This forum aims to orient all Compliance Officers of cooperatives on what are the mandatory reports to be submitted to the Authority. Participants are being taught how to prepare and properly fill-up the forms, where to source the needed data and how to go through the system for its submission. One of the most important part of the forum is being able to impart to the participants the value of the reports, and making sure that they understand and appreciate the use of these reports for the development of their cooperatives.



TIMTA Forum – With the enactment of RA 10708 also known as the Tax Incentives Management and Transparency Act (TIMTA), the CDA-MEO initiated the conduct of several fora in partnership with the local government (CDOs) and the cooperative sector (Federation and Unions, CDCs). Participants were oriented on the key features of the Law that affect the cooperatives, the advantages and purposes of the law, the needed data and reports to be submitted by affected entities, the penalties for non-compliance and other pertinent provisions of the law. The first forum which was held at SM Aura Premier on October 23, 2018 was participated by one hundred fifty-four (154) cooperatives. Another forum was held at Max's Restaurant, Timog with almost two hundred (200) participating cooperatives. This is in partnership with the Cooperative Union of Taguig and Pateros (COUNTPA). Same forum was conducted in Baguio City on November 28-30, 2018, with Quezon City Union of Cooperatives as partner. This was attended by more than three hundred (300) cooperative officers.



Forum on Transport Modernization Program: Its Effect to Transport Cooperatives

– One of the biggest program of the government which will greatly affect the cooperative sector, specifically the Transport Group, is the Transport Modernization Program. To be able to enlighten the sector on the true intention of the program, how it will be implemented and to clarify differing understanding, the CDA-MEO spearheaded the conduct of an NCR-wide forum for all Transport Cooperatives and other types of cooperatives with intention of venturing into transportation business. This was attended by more than two hundred (200) co-operators at Oriental Palace, Timog, Quezon City on October 26, 2018. Representatives of different government agencies involved in the implementation of the program served as resource persons during the forum. These include DOTr representative Mark Richmund M. De Leon, LTFRB Chair Atty. Martin B. Delgra III and Exec. Director Atty. Samuel A.M. Jardin, Office of Transport Cooperatives representative Mr. Raniel Urera and Lanbank of the Philippines representative Mr. Narciso Roy I. Reyes. CDA Administrator Abad Santos gave a short talk about the program and what is the CDA doing in response to the needs of this rapidly growing sector.

One of the highlights of the forum is the presentation of the Taguig Transport Service Cooperative on the development of their operation, being one of the pilot cooperatives under the PUV Modernization Program. The Chairperson shared their experience on how they went through to avail the loan from the Development Bank of the Philippines, the tedious procedures and challenges they have encountered.



Manila EO...

Manila Bay Clean-Up – CDA, as one of the partner agencies of the Manila Bay SUNSET Partnership Program Inc. (MBSPP) is represented by the Manila Extension Office. One of the major activities of the Partnership is the monthly clean-up of the Manila Bay. CDA-MEO, in celebration of the Cooperative Month is sponsoring the clean-up every October. Last year's clean-up was conducted on October 20, 2018 in response to CDA Memorandum Circular 2018-02 declaring October 20 as National Cooperative Day. This was participated by more than four thousand volunteers coming from different partner agencies of SUNSET and members of cooperatives in the NCR. This continuing activity of the Partnership is aimed at creating awareness on the importance and necessity of preserving the environment and maintaining our clean waterways.



COOP-SEED Program Implementation - CDA-MEO successfully implemented the joint program of CDA-DTI dubbed as COOP-SEED (Cooperative Sustainable Enhancement and Enterprise Development). There were two micro cooperative beneficiaries identified from NCR. These are the Samabayanan ng Muling Pagkabuhay MPC of Tondo, Manila and SIKAP MPC of Pasig. These cooperatives were given series of trainings as part of the capacity building programs for their member-entrepreneurs. Entrepreneurial Skills Development, Product Packaging, Basic Course on Bookkeeping and Financial Literacy Seminars were conducted to members and officers of the two coop beneficiaries in partnership with DOST, DTI and Taguig City University. Part of the commitment of CDA in the implementation of the program is the establishment of marketplace to showcase the products of the cooperatives.



The New CDA Extension Office

CDA-MIMAROPA Extension Office
2/f Sante's Bldg., Bayanan 1, Calapan City,
Oriental Mindoro



The CDA Extension Office is a frontrunner in the implementation of socio-economic related activities for the Region. The Extension Offices regulate and develop cooperatives within their regional jurisdiction in accordance with policies set by the Authority. To continuously deliver quality and efficient service, The MIMAROPA Extension Office is the newest extension office established on October 1, 2018 located at 2/f Sante's Bldg., Bayanan 1, Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro with Director Angelito U. Sacro as the designated Acting Director of CDA-MIMAROPA Extension Office. The total approved plantilla position is twenty-five (25), 12 staff are holding office at Extension Office and the other 13 were deployed in the Provinces. MIMAROPA is consist of five (5) Provinces of Occidental and Oriental Mindoro, Marinduque, Romblon and Palawan which boast beautiful coasts, rock formations, and landscapes. MIMAROPA contributes a fair share of the eco-tourism in the country. MIMAROPA is almost twice the size of its twin Region the CALABARZON.

Calapan City is the Regional Center of MIMAROPA, The Extension Office presently supervising One thousand and Twenty-six (1,026) Cooperatives. The strategic positioning of the CDA Extension Office in Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro is a favorable location when it comes to promoting economic development. Located 130 kilometers south of Manila, accessible via the South Luzon Expressway (SLEX) and Southern Tagalog Access Road (STAR) and sea travel via several Ferry boats and Roll-on Roll-off (Ro-Ro) Cargo Ferries.

The initial staff meeting happened on October 8, 2018 wherein majority of employees come from Calamba Extension Office. The meeting aimed to build new cohesive group and apprise functions of each Section, and develop the relationship of each other in the determination and strength hovering the mission of the agency to ensure the safe and sound operation of the cooperatives and goal of providing the best services. Thus, the establishment of MIMAROPA Extension Office.

The first Regional Planning and Target Setting Seminar with the presentation of plans of every section. Included in this activity is the presentation of the plans of each division/section. Acting Director Angelito U. Sacro, administered a learning activity. According to him, he perceives CDA MIMAROPA Extension Office Staff as a solid and strong group for doing and accomplishing its target. This Planning and Target Setting Seminar also aimed of earning knowledge and revisit oneself on how each would accomplish each target. Also, the Supervising CDS Mr. Alberto Sabarias explained and tackled the Work Plan for MIMAROPA, the main objective is to provide the personnel with the knowledge and techniques on planning and accomplishing target. He discussed the different sections target and how to deal with it as well as distribution of workloads.

The MIMAROPA Extension comprises the following personnel: Angelito U. Sacro as the Acting Director; Alberto Sabarias, Supervising CDS; Lilia Buela, Sr. CDS/Registration Section; Raul Evangelista, Sr. CDS/CPDAS; Eva Loraine Cataje, Sr. CDS/CRITS; Raquel Castaneda, Sr. CDS/Regulatory Unit; Edarlynn Madali, CDSII/Acting HRMO/Acting Administrative Officer; Rey Evangelista, CDSII-Marinduque; Edilberto Sager, CDSII/PCDS-Marinduque; Helen Servanez, CDSII/PCDS-Romblon; Marian Concepcion, CDSII-Palawan; Jefhtee Panganiban, CDSII-Palawan; Charmaine Macale, CDSII/PCDS-Oriental Mindoro; Melody Danao, CDSII-Palawan; Reyward Oliveros, CDSII-Occidental Mindoro; Krismae Fatima De Castro, Administrative Officer 1 (Cashier1); Nelcy Dimatulac, Administrative Assistant II (HRM Assistant); and Joven Acedera, Administrative Aide IV (Driver II). Five more CDS II, Accountant 1 and Legal Officer will be hired to complete the approved employee staffing.

CDA-MIMAROPA Extension Office pledge to continually sustain its function of being client-centered. As a Team we will try very hard to strengthen the Cooperative Movement towards a brighter future.



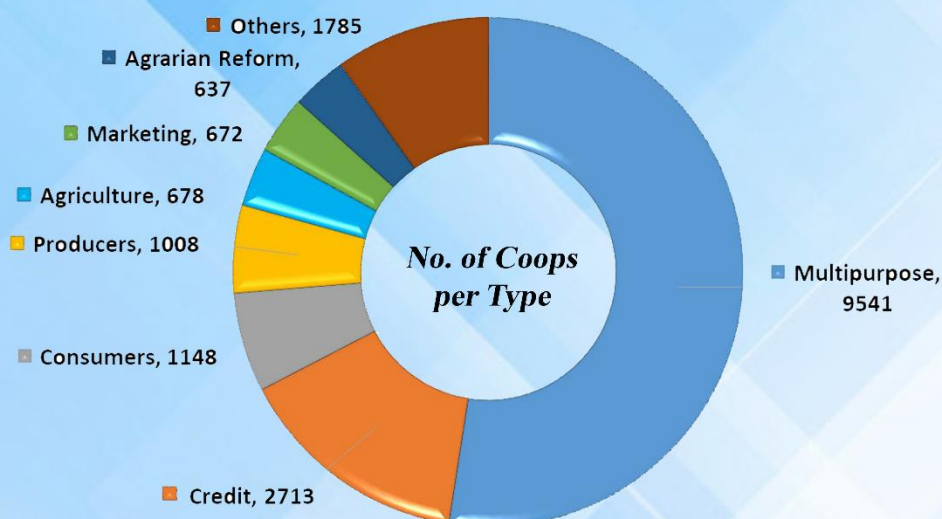
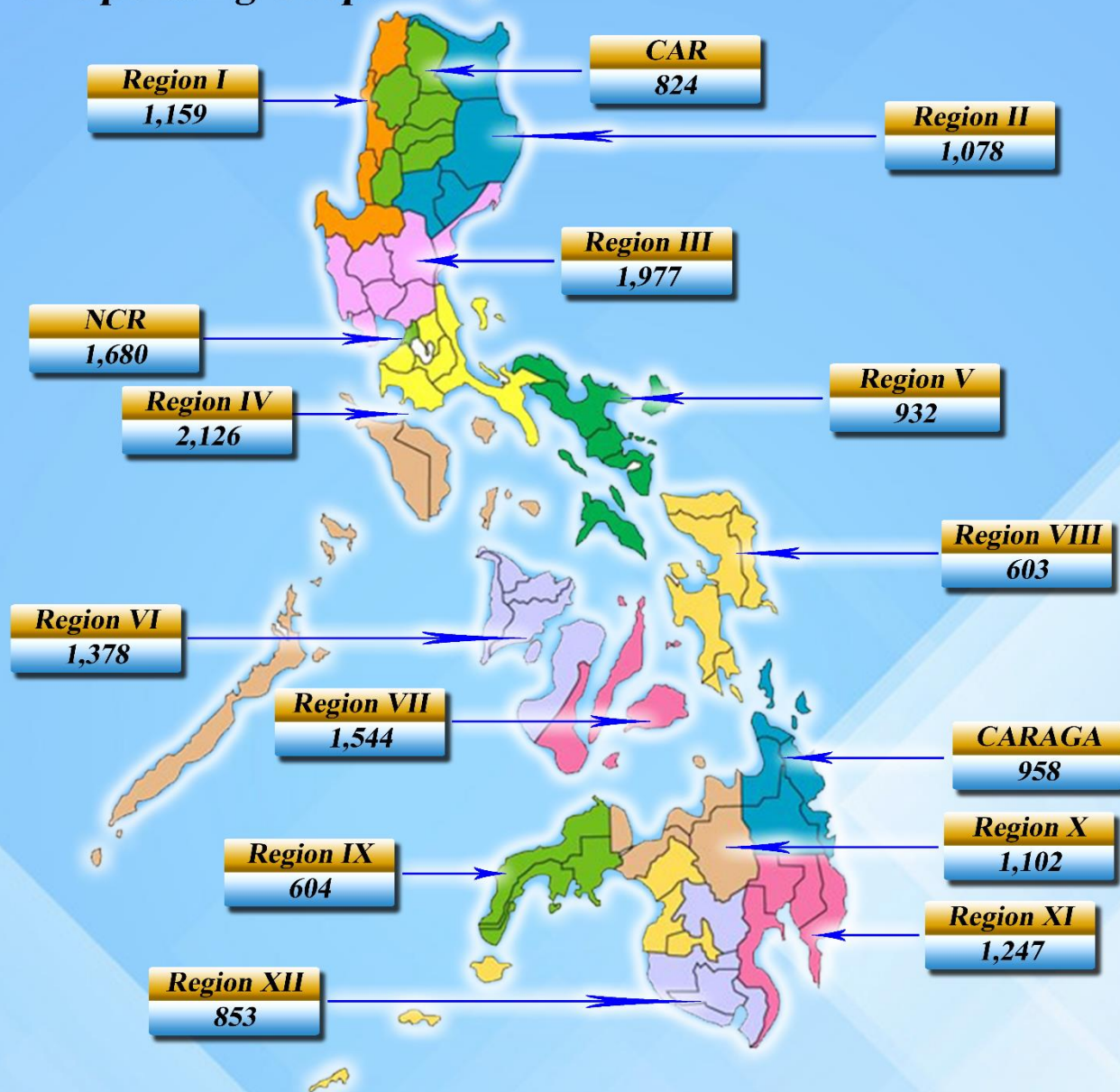
The First Regional Planning and Target setting of
CDA-MIMAROPA



STATISTICS

18,065 Total Number
of Operating Coops

**Number of Operating
Cooperatives per Extension
Office**







FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
REGULAR AGENCY FUND
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2018
(In Philippine Peso)**

		AMOUNT	
	Notes	2018	2017
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4	10,711,360.14	43,861,393.18
Cash in Bank - Foreign Currency		-	-
Treasury/Agency Cash Accounts		-	-
Cash Equivalents		-	-
Receivables	5	968,982,423.00	978,944,989.13
Lease Receivable		-	-
Inventories	18	2,431,916.60	3,672,922.55
Inventory Held for Sale		-	-
Inventory Held for Distribution		-	-
Inventory Held for Manufacturing		-	-
Investments		-	-
Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Surplus or Deficit		-	-
Financial Assets - Held to Maturity		-	-
Other Current Asset	6	3,826,148.65	4,715,861.69
Total Current Assets		985,951,848.39	1,031,195,166.55
Non - Current Assets			
Long-term Investments	7	135,711,470.67	141,711,470.67
Investments in Joint Venture		-	-
Sinking Fund		-	-
Land and Buildings		-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	8	185,413,522.26	131,156,712.39
Prepayments		-	195,876.10
Advances to Contractors		-	-
Prepaid Rent		-	160,714.29
Prepaid Registration		-	-
Prepaid Interest		-	-
Prepaid Insurance		-	30,161.81
Other Prepayments		-	5,000.00
Deposits		-	109,010.00
Deposit on Letters of Credit		-	-
Guaranty Deposits		-	109,010.00
Other Deposits		-	-
Total Non-Current Assets		339,457,516.72	297,184,447.59
TOTAL ASSETS		1,325,409,365.10	1,328,379,614.14
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS/EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Financial Liabilities	9	44,213,596.32	17,817,422.19
Payables		43,958,596.32	17,817,422.19
Bills/Bonds/Loans Payable		255,000.00	-
Inter-Agency Payables	10	16,827,726.11	6,648,709.12
Inter-Agency Payables		16,827,726.11	6,648,709.12
Intra-Agency Payables		-	-
Trust Liabilities		2,160,119.55	1,769,890.94
Other Payables		1,538,621.29	1,472,103.48
Other Payables		-	-
Total Current Liabilities		64,766,825.41	27,708,125.73
Non- Current Liabilities			
Financial Liabilities	11	-	-
Payables		-	-
Bills/Bonds/Loans Payable		-	-
Deferred Credits/Unearned Income		-	-
Provisions		259,200.00	-
Trust Liabilities		-	(235,221.30)
Total Non-Current Liabilities		259,200.00	(235,221.30)
Total Current Liabilities		-	(208,459.16)
TOTAL LIABILITIES		65,026,025.41	27,499,666.57
NET ASSETS/EQUITY			
Net Asset/Equity	13	1,260,383,339.69	1,300,879,947.57
Net Asset/Equity		1,260,383,339.69	1,300,879,947.57
Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit)		-	-
TOTAL NET ASSETS/EQUITY		1,260,383,339.69	1,300,879,947.57
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS/EQUITY		1,325,409,365.10	1,328,379,614.14

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
REGULAR AGENCY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018
(In Philippine Peso)

PARTICULARS	Notes	AMOUNT	
		2018	2017
REVENUE			
Service and Business Income		24,104,889.67	23,553,136.90
Shares, Grants and Donations		26,000.00	295,687.25
Gains		116,000.00	
Total Revenue	12	24,246,889.67	23,848,824.15
Less: Current Operating Expenses			
Personnel Services	13	397,634,648.41	364,877,787.69
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	14	136,977,455.94	103,827,135.06
Financial Expenses		2,160.59	1,000.78
Non-Cash Expenses	15	9,713,482.84	6,498,457.65
Total Current Operating Expenses		544,327,747.77	475,204,381.17
Surplus (Deficit) from Current Operations	-	520,080,858.10	451,355,557.02
Financial Assistance/Subsidy	19	610,143,271.09	487,701,811.93
Other Non-Operating Income	17	82,833.15	422,265.74
Surplus (Deficit) for the Period		89,979,579.84	36,768,520.65

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS/EQUITY
REGULAR AGENCY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018
(In Philippine Peso)

PARTICULARS	Notes	AMOUNT	
		2018	2017
Balance at January 1		1,298,837,981.20	1,290,451,901.90
Add/(Deduct):			
Changes in Accounting Policy		1,916,718.82	- 1,950,797.60
Prior Period Adjustments/Unrecorded Income	-	9,719,411.98	7,144,963.34
Other Adjustments	-	74,374,268.53	- 7,175,085.58
Restated Balances		1,216,661,019.51	1,288,470,982.06
Changes in Net Assets/Equity for Calendar Year			
Adjustment of Net Revenue recognized	-	40,369,723.26	- 24,294,846.20
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period		89,457,279.12	36,768,520.65
Total Recognized Revenue and Expenses for the Period		49,087,555.86	12,473,674.45
Others	-	5,365,235.68	- 64,708.94
Balance at December 31		1,260,383,339.69	1,300,879,947.57



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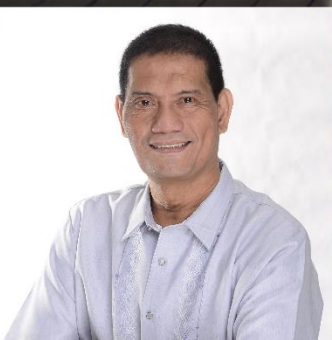
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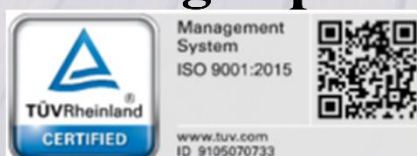
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