



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IX ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA

Resolution No. 066

series of 2021

10 June 2021

ENDORISING THE ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA REGIONAL COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- WHEREAS,** Republic Act (RA) No. 11524, “An Act Creating the Coconut Farmers and Industry Trust Fund, Providing for its Management and Utilization, Reconstituting for the Purpose the Philippine Coconut Authority Board, and for other Purposes,” was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte on 26 February 2021;
- WHEREAS,** RA No. 11524 mandates the creation of a 50-year Coconut Farmers and Industry Trust Fund to be used for the benefit of the coconut farmers and the development of the coconut industry and its utilization shall be in accordance with the Coconut Farmers and Industry Development Plan (CFIDP);
- WHEREAS,** immediately upon the enactment of RA No. 11524, the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) shall transfer PHP10 Billion to the Trust Fund; thereafter, PHP10 Billion on the second year; PHP15 Billion on the third year; PHP15 Billion on the fourth year; and PHP25 Billion on the fifth year, and any amount accruing including interest;
- WHEREAS,** the CFIDP shall be prepared by the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA), taking into account the distribution of the annual allocation of the Trust Fund with corresponding implementing agencies, as follows:
- Development of hybrid coconut seed farms and nursery for planting and replanting (20% share) by PCA and DOST-PCAARRD;
 - Training of farmers and their families (8% share) by TESDA and ATI;
 - Research, marketing and promotion (5% share) by DTI;
 - Crop Insurance (4% share) by PCIC;
 - Farm Improvements through diversification and/or intercropping with livestock, dairy, poultry, coffee, cacao production (10% share) by NDA, DA-HVCDP and DA-BAI;
 - Shared facilities for processing (10% share) by PhilMech;
 - Organizing and empowerment of coconut farmer organization and their cooperatives (5% share) by CDA;
 - Credit Program (10% share) by DBP and LBP;
 - Infrastructure Development (10% share) by DPWH;
 - Scholarship program for farmers and their families (8% share) by CHED; and,
 - Health and medical program for farmers and their families (10% share) by PCA;
- WHEREAS,** PCA Regional Office IX has crafted the Regional Coconut Farmers and Industry Development Plan (RCFIDP) for Zamboanga Peninsula, which shall set



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directions and policies for development and rehabilitation of the coconut industry (see details of the PCA IX's attached presentation);

WHEREAS, As a summary, the RCFIDP is proposing a total of PHP4.84 billion worth of programs and projects in Zamboanga Peninsula, broken down as follows:

Provinces in Region IX	Investment Requirement (in '000 pesos)	Implementation Period
Zamboanga del Norte	1,463,582.00	Year 1-5
Zamboanga del Sur	1,217,250.00	Year 1-5
Zamboanga Sibugay	1,133,103.00	Year 1-5
Zamboanga City and Isabela City	1,022,271.00	Year 1-5
GRAND TOTAL	4,836,207.00	Year 1-5

WHEREAS, after a thorough review by the Economic Development Committee (EDCom) of RDC IX during its 1st and 2nd Special Meeting on 04 and 08 June 2021, respectively, the members of the EDCom recognized the significance of the plan to accelerate the growth of the coconut industry, thereby increase income and improve quality of life of coconut farmers;


WHEREAS, RDC IX recognized that the said proposal would be instrumental toward the attainment of the vision of Zamboanga Peninsula to become the center of sustainable agri-fishery industries of the Philippines.

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of PSR Pedro Rufo N. Soliven, Chairperson of the Economic Development Committee of RDC IX, duly seconded by DOST IX Regional Director Martin A. Wee, PSR Lucila J. Dagwayan and PSR Victoria M. Cajandig, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** That RDC IX endorse the Zamboanga Peninsula Regional Coconut Farmers and Industry Development Plan.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the RDC IX Secretariat provide a copy of this endorsement to the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) Central Office, copy furnished PCA Regional Office IX for appropriate action and assistance.

DONE during the 173rd Regular Meeting of RDC IX, as reflected in the highlights of the meeting, conducted on 10 June 2021 via teleconference.

Certified Correct:


ELEANOR M. REYES
Acting Secretary

Attested:


PHLORITA A. RIDAO
Vice-Chairperson

Approved:


VICTOR J. YU
Chairperson