# PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS CY 2016

In support to the policy of the State to promote the rapid integrated development and growth of the coconut industry, the Philippine Coconut Authority, in partnership with all of its stakeholders, planned and implemented its major programs and projects. The highlights of accomplishments for CY 2016 are as follows:

# I. PCA-benefited farmers increased their average annual gross income from Php 20,000 to Php 28,142 per hectare of coconut farm.

PCA was able to improve the lives of its beneficiaries through the KAANIB Enterprise Development Program (KEDP). According to the latest survey conducted, farmers that received PCA interventions successfully increased their income to an average of Php . 28,142.

## II. PCA planted over 19M coconut palms nationwide.

Through its planting and replanting program, PCA has planted 19,882,737 palms with 4.7 million palms planted in Luzon, 7.4 million in Visayas and 7.6 million in Mindanao.

## III. PCA successfully ensured the survival of over 36 Million coconut palms.

Out of 43.4 Million seedlings planted in the last three years, 36.9 Million seedlings were successfully stabilized on the ground. This resulted in a survival rate of 85.01%. PCA not only provides the agricultural inputs to the farmers but also the proper knowledge and training to ensure the survivability of the seedlings.

## IV. PCA operationalized 5 coconut hubs.

Under the Agro-Industrial Hub Project, PCA was able to operationalize 5 hubs. These hubs will empower coconut farmers to produce value-adding products such as virgin coconut oil, coco sap sugar and coir products.

# V. PCA assisted 242 KAANIB small coconut farmer organizations/cooperatives in generating their own income.

Through PCA's extension services to farmer organizations/cooperatives, 242 KAANIB SCFOs/cooperatives were able to steadily generate their own income in 2016. These SCFOs/cooperatives were provided with trainings on financial and organizational management to help them succeed in their chosen endeavors.

## VI. PCA established 1,119 community-based nurseries nationwide.

In order to support a sustainable planting program, PCA established 1,119 communitybased nurseries nationwide. Through this, quality planting materials can be made available to coconut farmers locally.

## VII. PCA assisted 68,105 coconut farmers in the Yolanda-affected areas.

Under the Yolanda Recovery and Rehabilitation Program (YRRP), 68,105 coconut farmers were assisted thru interventions such as provision of coconut seedlings, intercrops, fertilization, and trainings.

#### VIII. PCA facilitated and secured 61 new coconut-based investments.

The Trade and Market Development Department (TMDD) reported 61 new coconutbased investments for the country amounting to over Php 1.9B. Furthermore, the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) and Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) have started investment on the coconet bioengineering technology.

#### IX. PCA champions the advancement of coconut research.

Thru the Research and Development Branch, PCA continues to improve the Philippine coconut industry thru researches in varietal improvement, biotechnology, crop agronomy, nutrition and farming systems, integrated crop protection, and product development.

## X. PCA managed to improve its absorptive capacity.

With the implementation of a catch-up program, capacity building, and policy shifts, the PCA was able to utilize 74% of its Php 11.9 B budget which shows significant improvement in the Authority's absorptive capacity.

### XI. PCA improved its internal processes.

To provide value services to its stakeholders, PCA initiated improvements in its internal processes particularly the Financial Management Information System (FMIS), ISO 9001:2015 Certification, and establishing a competency framework for its workforce.