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**RULES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE ORGANIZATION OF
THE PROVINCIAL AGRARIAN REFORM COORDINATING
COMMITTEE (PARCCOM) AND THE BARANGAY AGRARIAN
REFORM COMMITTEE (BARC)**

I

Prefatory Statement

To ensure the successful implementation of the CARP, there shall be organized at the provincial level a Provincial Agrarian Reform Coordinating Committee (PARCCOM), and at the barangay level a Barangay Agrarian Reform Committee (BARC), pursuant to Section 44 and 46 of R.A. 6657, respectively, their functions shall be the following:

A. PARCCOM Functions —

1. Coordinate and monitor the implementation of CARP in the province;
2. Provide information on the provisions of existing and applicable agrarian reform laws, guidelines and issuances;
3. Monitor the progress of CARP in the province;
4. Recommend to the PARC through the DAR Regional Director and the PARC Secretarial whether the province should be a priority land reform area in which case the acquisition and distribution of private agricultural lands therein may be implemented ahead of schedule under Sections 7 and 45; and
5. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the PARC through the Secretary of Agrarian Reform.

B. BARC Functions —

1. Mediate and conciliate between parties involved in an agrarian dispute, including matter related to tenurial and financial arrangements;
2. Assist in the identification of qualified beneficiaries and landowner within the barangay;
3. Attest to the accuracy of the initial parcellary mapping of the beneficiary's tillage;

4. Assist qualified beneficiaries in obtaining credit from lending institutions;
5. Assist in the initial determination of the value of the land;
6. Assist the DAR representative in the preparation of periodic reports on the CARP implementation for submission to the DAR Central Office;
7. Coordinate the delivery of support services to beneficiaries; and
8. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the DAR.

II

Definition of Terms

Farmer's Organization — a duly constituted organization/association of agrarian reform farmer-beneficiaries organized province-wide and registered/accredited with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Bureau of Agricultural Cooperative Development (BACOD), Bureau of Rural Workers (DOLE), or any appropriate government entity.

Agricultural Cooperative — an organization composed primarily of small agricultural producers, farmers, farmworkers, or other agrarian reform beneficiaries who have voluntarily organized themselves for the purpose of pooling land, human, technological, financial or other economic resources, and which operates on the principle of one member one vote. A juridical person may be a member of a cooperative, with the same rights and duties as a natural person.

Non-Government Organization (NGO) — a civic, religious, or non-sectarian organization or association organized primarily for rural development. The organization's network must be province-wide insofar as electing a member to PARCCOM is concerned, and barangay-wide in the case of BARC.

Landowner — a person who owns land within the barangay and resides within the municipality where the barangay is located or in an adjacent municipality. If there is no landowner who can fulfill this residence requirement, any landowner who is willing and able to represent the landowners' group in the activities of the BARC shall qualify.

Cultural Community — a tribal grouping of ethnic Filipinos duly organized and certified by the office of the Northern

Cultural Communities (NCC), Southern Cultural Communities (SCC) or Office of Muslim Affairs (OMA) as belonging to the cultural Communities in the province.

Farmer — a natural person whose primary livelihood is cultivation of land or the production of agricultural crops, either by himself or primarily with the assistance of his immediate farm household, whether the land is owned by him or by another person under a leasehold or share tenancy agreement or arrangement with the owner thereof.

Farmworker — a natural person who renders service for value as an employee or laborer in an agricultural enterprise or farm regardless of whether his compensation is paid on a daily, weekly, monthly, or "pakyaw" basis. The term includes an individual whose work has ceased as a consequence of, or in connection with, a pending agrarian dispute and who has not obtained a substantially equivalent and regular farm employment.

III Composition

A. *PARCCOM* — The PARCCOM shall be composed of thirteen (13) members as follows:

1. **Chairman** — To be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon recommendation of the PARC Excom.
2. **Ex Officio members** —
 - a) Provincial Agrarian Reform Officer (PARO), who acts as executive officer of the PARCCOM.
 - b) Provincial Agriculture Officer (PAO), to represent the Department of Agriculture (DA).
 - c) Provincial Environmental and Natural Resources Officer (PENRO), to represent the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).
 - d) Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) representative, to be designated by the LBP Regional Office.
3. **Elective members** —
 - a) One (1) representative of farmers organizations in the province.
 - b) One (1) representative of agricultural cooperatives.

- c) One (1) representative of Non-Government Organizations (NGOs).
- d) Two (2) representatives of landowners, one of whom shall be a producer representing the principal crop in the province.
- e) Two (2) representatives of farmers and farmworker beneficiaries. one of whom shall be a farmer or farmworker representing the principal crop in the province.
- f) One (1) representative of cultural communities (if applicable) duly certified as elected by the office of the Northern Cultural Communities (NCC), Southern Cultural Communities (SCC), or Office of Muslim Affairs (OMA), as the case may be.

B. *BARC* — The BARC shall be composed of eleven (11) members as listed below:

- 1. A representative of the barangay council;
- 2. The Department of Agriculture (DA) official assigned in the barangay;
- 3. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) official assigned in the area;
- 4. The DAR Agrarian Reform Technologist assigned in the area;
- 5. A representative of the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP);
- 6. A representative of farmer and farmworker beneficiaries;
- 7. A representative of non-beneficiary farmers and farmworkers;
- 8. A representative of the local agricultural cooperative;
- 9. A representative of other farmer or farmworker organizations;
- 10. A representative of Non-Government Organizations; and
- 11. A representative of the landowners group.

The members specified above from (1) to (5) shall be designated by their respective offices while those from (6) to (11) shall be elected respectively in a meeting called for this purpose by the Municipal Agrarian Reform Officer (MARO), from among and by the representatives of each sector. An equal number of alternate representatives shall be elected at the same meeting.