

Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao

Bangsamoro Economic and Development Council REGIONAL STATISTICS COMMITTEE



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RESOLUTION No. 08 Series of 2023

ENJOINING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) AND STAKEHOLDERS TO SUPPORT THE SUCCESSFUL CONDUCT OF THE 2022 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES (CAF)

WHEREAS, Section 6 of the Republic Act No. 10625, otherwise known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013 mandates the Philippine Statistics Authority to prepare and conduct periodic censuses on population, housing, agriculture, fisheries, business, industry, and other sectors of the economy;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 352, otherwise known as the Designation of Statistical Activities that will generate critical data for decision-making of the Government and Private Sector, issued on 01 July 1996, designates the conduct of the Census of Agriculture and Fisheries (CAF) every ten years with the objective of providing the government planners and policymakers with data on which to base their plans for the country's development;

WHEREAS, the Census of Agriculture and Fisheries (CAF) is a large-scale government undertaking that is geared towards the collection and compilation of basic information on the agriculture and fishery sectors in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the objectives of CAF include a.) to determine the structural characteristics of agriculture and fishery sectors in the country; b.) to provide sampling frames for the conduct of the census' periodic agricultural and fishery surveys; c.) to provide basic data on the agriculture, aquaculture, and fishing characteristics for use in the government's national and local development planning; and d.) to provide data on agricultural, and fishery facilities and services available in the barangay;

WHEREAS, the latest CAF was undertaken in 2013 with 2012 as the reference year and the next census will be conducted in September 2023 with 2022 as the reference year;

WHEREAS, the LGUs and other stakeholders play a crucial role in the conduct of the CAF. As comprehensive data collection exercises, censuses require collaboration and participation from various stakeholders involved in the agriculture and fisheries sectors;

WHEREAS, the stakeholders of the CAF include the Farmers and Fisherfolks, Government Bodies and Institutions, Industry and Cooperatives, Research Institutions and Academe, Non-Government Organization (NGOs), and Civil Society Organization (CSO);

WHEREAS recognizing the increasing importance of the census data in meeting data needs at the lowest geographical level, the assistance provided by government agencies, government-owned and controlled corporations, and local government units (LGUs) to the PSA, as in previous censuses, will be instrumental to the success of the 2022 CAF;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) shall serve as the lead agency in the conduct of the 2022 CAF;

WHEREAS, the PSA has an organized field staff complement in all regions and provinces with the expertise to carry out data collection activities;



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WHEREAS, the constituent LGUs of BARMM shall provide and extend support to PSA in the conduct of the 2022 CAF;

WHEREAS, through the PSA, in coordination with the Ministry of the Interior and Local Government (MILG), the 2022 CAF will be supported and widely disseminated to Local Government Units (LGUs);

WHEREAS, the BARMM Regional Statistics Committee (RSCom) provides direction and guidance in the regional/local statistical development activities and serves as the policy-making body on statistical matters and venue for discussion and resolution of statistical issues at the local level;

WHEREAS, the RSCom recognizes the importance of 2022 CAF in statistical development in BARMM and in the whole country as well;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Regional Statistics Committee enjoins all LGUs and stakeholders in the Bangsamoro Region to support the forthcoming 2022 CAF;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the concerned ministries, offices, and agencies for information and/or appropriate action.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

This resolution is approved by the Regional Statistics Committee on the 17th day of August 2023 in Cotabato City.

I HEREBY CERTIFY the correctness of this resolution.

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