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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**
DENR Regions I, II, III, IV-A, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI & XII

ATTENTION : **THE CONCERNED PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICERS**

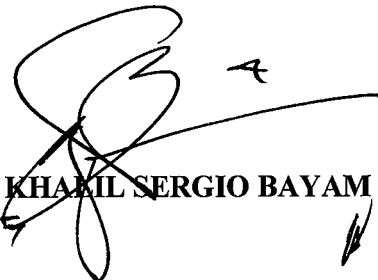
FROM : **THE DIRECTOR,**
Strategic Communication and Initiatives Service

SUBJECT : **STATUS OF ADOPT-A-WATERSHED I AND II AND GAWAD SIBOL PROGRAM IN LINE WITH THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENTS EXECUTED BETWEEN LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES AND DENR**

Land Bank of the Philippines has signified to renew its partnership with the DENR particularly in support of the implementation of DENR's priority programs such as the Enhanced National Greening Program. Land Bank prefers to sustain its support through the Adopt-A-Watersheds and Gawad Sibol Projects it has entered into with DENR.

In view hereof, please submit to this office the status of the Adopt-A-Watershed Phase 1 and Phase 2 and Gawad Sibol Program entered into with your respective Office with Land Bank of the Philippines. Status of said projects will guide the necessary support Land Bank may extend. Recommendations on how to implement the same will be appreciated.

For appropriate action, please.


KHAMIL SERGIO BAYAM

BRIEF ON LANDBANK OF THE PHILIPPINES PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

A. Memorandum of Agreement with DENR (“Adopt-A-Watershed” Phase I) executed on August 31, 2006 between LBP President and CEO Gilda E. Pico and DENR Secretary Angelo T. Reyes which expired on December 30, 2010.

LBP specifically committed to support the rehabilitation of six (6) priority watersheds covering 14 hectares supporting irrigations systems in order to enhance the food production program of the government with full funding from LANDBANK ;

The said MOA was implemented in the following watersheds in coordination with the concerned DENR field offices and implemented through partnership with People’s Organization in the area:

Province	Watershed	Hectares
1. Nueva Vizcaya	Magat River Watershed	2
2. Bulacan	Angat Ipo Watershed	4
3. Negros Occidental	Bago River Watershed	2
4. Leyte	Binahaan River Watershed	2
5. Davao del Norte	Lasang River Watershed	2
6. South Cotabato	Silway River Watershed	2
	Total	14 hectares

B. Memorandum of Agreement with DENR (“Adopt-A-Watershed” Phase II) executed on September 2012 until December 2015;

The second phase of Land Bank’s Adopt-A-Watershed program was in support to the National Greening Program under Executive Order 23 issued by then President Aquino. The project areas were identified and implemented in areas outside those funded by DENR under the National Greening Program. Land Bank like in Phase 1, funded all the financial requirements for its implementation in partnership with local peoples’ organization selected and recommended by the concerned Provincial Environment and Natural Resorces in the following areas:

Regions	Location	Area
I	Bugallon, Pangasinan	10 hectares
III	Sitio Balagbag, San Isidro, City of San Jose del Monte, Bulacan	10 hectares
VI	Canlusong, EB Magalona,	5 hectares

	Negros Occidental	
VII	Sapang Dako Watershed, Cebu City	5 hectares
XI	Paquibato District, Davao City	5 hectares
XII	Polomolok, South Cotabato	5 hectares
	Total	40 Hectares

C. Memorandum of Agreement with DENR (Gawad Sibol Program) executed on September 8, 2015.

The MOA aims to pursue the rehabilitation of 60 hectares of public land nationwide. Secondary to LANDBANK'S watershed rehabilitation program is to strengthen its corporate social responsibility and creates opportunities for employee volunteerism under the LBP Volunteerific Program in compliance with RA 9418 known as Volunteer Act. The areas were located in provinces having the higher concentration of LANDBANK branches. These are located in the following:

Region	Location*	Area/Hectares
I	La Union	5
II	Isabela	5
III	Nueva Ecija	5
IV-A	Batangas City	5
IV-A	Rizal	5
V	Albay	5
VI	Iloilo	5
VII	Cebu	5
VIII	Tacloban	5
IX	Zamboanga Sibugay	5
X	Lanao del	4
XI	Davao del Norte	3
XII	South Cotabato	3
TOTAL		60

LANDBANK has allotted ONE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (PH1,800,000.00) for the completion of the program until December 31, 2018;

The MOA likewise were implemented in partnership with local peoples' organization with the technical assistance of the DENR field offices concerned;