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DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

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DENR SPECIAL ORDER)
No. 198 :
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SUBJECT : Designating Forester NOEL M. TUPAS as Forest Community Organizer for the DENR Upland Development Pilot Projects in Dagsaan, Buenavista, Guimaras, Iloilo.

1. Consistent with the Department's mission of developing the upland areas through the Integrated Social Forestry Program and cognizant of our thrusts of developing effective and efficient participatory strategies in program implementation for a more responsible stewardship of the environment and natural resources, Mr. Noel M. Tupas of CENRO Iloilo City is hereby designated as Forest Community Organizer of the Ford Foundation - assisted Upland Development Pilot Project.

2. As a Forest Community Organizer, he will manage the projects with the Regional Upland Development Committee consistent with the provisions outlined under DENR Special Order No. 642, series of 1989 and other procedural guidelines and circulars to be issued specifically for the purpose of project implementation.

3. He is to carry-out the following specific duties and responsibilities under the supervision of his Social Forestry Officer:

- a. Validate the result of community appraisal profiling or assessment survey of the bio-physical demographic and socio-economic conditions of the project area:
- b. Organize and mobilize community residents for the following activities:
 - i. Identification, analysis and priority setting of problems;
 - ii. Defining project area and individual farmlot boundaries;
 - iii. Identification, planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of agroforestry and other related development activities responsive to the prioritized problems;
 - iv. Settlement of land issues and conflicts and securing land tenure.

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- c. Provide technical assistance and training of forest community organizations:
- i. The formation and development of forest community organizations;
 - ii. Agroforestry project and livelihood enterprise development and management;
 - iii. Assessment of existing farming practices and technologies;
 - iv. Resource identification, mobilization and management;
 - v. Management of land tenure-related issues.
- d. Facilitate formulation and implementation of training and education, programs of the community;
- e. Facilitate the establishment of strategies and tactical linkages with resource institutions and other community organizations for a more effective agroforestry technology transfer and utilization, resource mobilization and project management; and
- f. Prepare the forest community organization for eventual phase out and project turnover at an appropriate time.

4. Considering the extent of involvement and magnitude of responsibility he has to attend to, he is to be relieved of other responsibilities in his respective office without being prejudiced in the support that is to be extended by the same for project implementation and personal career development.

5. He is to inform this Office of his compliance with the Order seven (7) days upon receipt hereof.

6. In complying with this Order, he is entitled to a reasonable incentive allowance, travelling and other incidental expenses that are to be charged from his Regional allotment under the DENR Upland Development Trust Fund. These are, however, subject to the usual auditing rules and regulations. Specific guidelines for this purpose will be issued to the office concerned.

7. This Order shall take effect immediately and supersedes all previous orders and instructions inconsistent herewith.



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