



DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

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SPECIAL ORDER)
NO. 677 :
SERIES OF 1990)

SUBJECT: Deputation of GOVERNOR BENJAMIN ESPIRITU of Oriental Mindoro, Region IV as Forest Officer of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 705 as amended, GOVERNOR BENJAMIN ESPIRITU of Oriental Mindoro is hereby deputized as Forest Officer of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, effective upon receipt hereof, which this Office shall be informed accordingly.

By virtue of this deputation, he is authorized to detect/investigate violations of forestry laws, rules and regulations and to arrest even without warrant any person who has committed, is committing or is about to commit in his presence any of the offenses defined in Chapter IV of Presidential Decree No. 705 as amended within his territorial jurisdiction.

He is also authorized to seize/confiscate the tools and equipment used in committing the offense and the forest products cut, gathered or removed by the offender(s) in the process of committing the offense. In all instances of detection, arrest and/or seizure or confiscation he shall deliver within period as prescribed by law from the time of arrest and seizure, the offender(s) and confiscated forest products, tools and equipment, including the conveyance/s used and file the proper complaint with the appropriate officials designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and file the information in court through the RED/PENRO/CENRO concerned.

He is further authorized to administer oath and take acknowledgement in official matters connected with the functions of their Office and to take testimony in official investigations conducted under the authority of the Revised Forestry Code, as amended and its implementing rules and regulations.

He shall submit to the RED concerned, thru the PENRO/CENRO a monthly report of the cases he had handled pursuant to this deputation order.

This deputation shall expire on December 31, 1990 or until sooner revoked by this Office.

SO ORDERED _____.

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