



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 9-A
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CREATION OF PROVINCIAL ONION COMMODITY COUNCIL (POCC) FOR THE PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT OF SUSTAINABLE SOCIO-ECONOMIC GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTIVITY OF ONION INDUSTRY IN THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

WHEREAS, the economy of the province of Occidental Mindoro is agriculture propelled and is known for its quality and sustainable productivity. Onion is one of the primary commodities grown by farmers and considered main source of livelihood, food and income of concerned stakeholders involved in the onion industry.

WHEREAS, the Onion productivity of the province under normal condition provide the farmers a remarkable average yield of 13.68MT/ha/cropping and delivers high percentage of production surplus of 4,685% or 49,592,196 kgs. (2019) which were distributed to nearby provinces of Visayas, Mindanao, Metro Manila and other market demand centers in Southern Luzon that greatly contributed to fill up the gaps of onion requirements of these areas;

WHEREAS, these high performance level of the province's onion industry was recognized and acknowledged by the National Government thru the Department of Agriculture as the largest producing province in MIMAROPA region and ranked 4th nationwide in terms of production.

WHEREAS, despite the good standing of the province in productivity, the industry is still confronted by some issues and constraints affecting income and profit of farmers. The onion industry of the province operates in a deregulated environment where the prices are determined not only by the forces of demand and supply, but also by agents and traders, who, most often than not, dictate the price, the size, the volume they wish to buy and even the time in which payment is to be made. These greatly affect the sustainable growth, income and profit of farmers and other stakeholders in the value chain of onion. Insufficient Post-Harvest facilities (cold storage) is also one of the major problems of the industry.

WHEREAS, during consultation meetings with Onion Industry Stakeholders, it was strongly recommended the creation of the Provincial Onion Commodity Council who shall be responsible in the formulation and implementation of short – and long-term development plans, programs and policies for the protection, strengthening and in formulating effective solutions to resolve issues and problems affecting the Onion Industry.

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro, thru the Honorable Governor Eduardo B. Gadiano is responsible for the institutionalization of the created Provincial Onion Commodity Council thru the issuance of Executive Order for its legal and binding implementation.

NOW THEREFORE, I EDUARDO B. GADIANO, Governor, Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby create the Provincial Onion Commodity Council for the protection and enhancement of sustainable socio-economic growth, development and productivity of Onion Industry in the province.



Republic of the Philippines
MIMAROPA Region
Province of Occidental Mindoro
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Section 1. COMPOSITION.

- A) The Provincial Onion Commodity Council hereinafter referred as the POCC shall be composed of the following:

Chairman	:	HON. EDUARDO B. GADIANO Provincial Governor
Vice- Chairman	:	HON. PETER J. ALFARO Provincial Vice- Governor
Members	:	HON. MARK PHILIP V. RAMIREZ Provincial Board Member, Chairman Committee on Agriculture

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES

- : Head of Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (Secretary)
- : Head of Provincial Planning and Development Office (Co- Secretary)
- : Head of Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office
- : Head of Provincial Government Environment of Natural Resources Office
- : Head of Provincial Engineering Office
- : Head of Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office
- : Head of Provincial Equipment and Pool Office
- : Mayors of 11 municipalities
- : Municipal Planning and Development Coordinators (MPDC) of 11 municipalities
- : Municipal Agriculture Officers (MAOs) of 11 municipalities

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (Director/Head/Representatives)

- : Department of Agriculture and Line Offices:
 1. DA- RFO 4-B HVCDP
 2. NIA
 3. BSWM
 4. ACPC
 5. PCIC
 6. ATI
 7. BPI
 8. ACEF



- : Department of Interior and Local Government
- : Department of Agrarian Reform
- : Department of Science and Technology
- : Department of Trade and Industry
- : Department of Labor and Employment
- : Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- : Department of Education
- : Department of Public Works and Highways
- : Occidental Mindoro State College
- : Philippine Information Agency
- : Land Bank of the Philippines
- : National Commission on Indigenous People

CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATION

- : Provincial Agriculture and Fishery Council
- : Municipal Agriculture and Fishery Council
- : Provincial Food Agricultural Council

B.) The above Offices/Agencies and private sectors are mandated to designate a representative who shall act and perform activities that shall be undertaken by the POCC.

Section 2. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE PROVINCIAL ONION COMMODITY COUNCIL.

The Provincial Onion Commodity Council as herein created shall exercise the following duties and functions;

1. It shall act as advisory, coordinating and consultative body of the Provincial Governor as the lead person.
2. Create and formulate Onion Development Plan and its financial requirements to fund the identified project interventions stipulated thereon and submit the same to the Provincial Governor's Office, Sangguniang Panlalawigan and to the Provincial Development Council for review, approval and adoption prior to implementation.
3. Link investment, marketing and entrepreneurial promotion and possibilities of access to financing.
4. Strengthen and empower onion farmers and concerned stakeholders to improve onion productivity for better and bigger income and profit that will help enhance socio-economic upliftment and poverty reduction in the localities.
5. Advocate and support existing enabling policy environment beneficial to the Onion Industry.
6. Promote to the LGUs adaptive management system with incentive and science based technical assistance to enhance local knowledge and capabilities.
7. Conduct of the Monitoring and Evaluation on Onion Industry development and accomplishment in the municipal and barangay level prior to updating of the Plan and prepare Annual reports for filing and submission to the Provincial Governor and to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.



8. Conduct of Impact Assessment/Analysis based on implemented project interventions from the POCC Plan and make such recommendations for better innovation and implementation of the Plan.
9. Perform any other functions as may be prescribed by the Chairman/Governor.

Section 3. MEETINGS.

The created Provincial Onion Commodity Council shall be called for a meeting whenever necessary.

Section 4. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS.

1. Project Implementation Funds:

All project interventions from the POCC Plans are Proposal Based. Implementation funds shall be thru cost-sharing between the Provincial Government, concerned Municipal Government and concerned National Government Agencies in accordance with their regular office programs.

2. Operational Funds

All POCC operational funding requirements including meetings shall be charged to any available funds of the Provincial Government.

3. Transportation Expenses

Transportation expenses of POCC members during meetings and other activities shall be charge to their respective offices.

Section 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid for any reason, the parts not affected thereby shall remain valid and in full force and effect.


Section 6. REPEALING CLAUSE.

All Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations issued by this province which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 7. EFFECTIVITY.

This ORDER shall take effect immediately.

DONE at the Provincial Capitol, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro this 26th day of April 2021.


EDUARDO B. GADIANO
Governor