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The AO reflect the contributions of the stakeholders of agri-fisheries extension delivery system in the country, it shall address the diverse nature of the country's agriculture and fisheries needs and requirements for assistance and at the same time supporting the government's priority commodity programs. It shall also foster a range of partnership arrangements in the utilization of both public and non-public institutional resources.

The extension functions of the DA shall be undertaken by the Regional Field Units and the ATI in collaboration with the LGUs and SUCs. On the other hand, the ATI Regional Training Centers shall design and implement programs which are consistent and functionally integrated with the RFUs regional agriculture and fisheries development strategy and program.

### **Salient Extension Provisions**

#### 2. Extension Agenda and Programs

##### 2.2. Thematic Agenda and Programs

The following thematic agenda and programs shall be the focus of funding support to any extension grants in the country:

##### 2.2.1. Capacity Development of Extension System

##### 2.2.2. Capacity Building of Extension Workers, Farmers/Fishers as Manager/Entrepreneurs

##### 2.2.3. Development of Functional Extension Management Models

##### 2.2.4. Enrichment/Improvement of Extension Policies, Mechanisms, and Approaches

##### 2.2.5. Monitoring and Evaluation of Outcomes and Impacts of Extension Services

##### 2.2.6. Sourcing and Generating Resources for Effective Extension

#### 3. Mechanisms and Instruments for Effecting Collaboration/Partnership

3.1. Convergence Initiatives and Linkages shall be pursued to harmonize, unite, and enhance the delivery services to the client system and stakeholders.

#### 4. Institutional Arrangements

##### 4.2. Roles and Responsibilities

As indicated in the AFMA/and AO 42 (1999 and reiterated on March 16, 2004), all stakeholders shall have the following roles and responsibilities in extension:

##### 4.2.1. Local Government Units

The provincial/municipal/city LGUs shall coordinate and lead in the delivery of extension service directly to the farmers/fishers and his nuclear family. Specifically, they shall:

- Formulate their Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Modernization Plan consistent with national thrust and directions;
- Ensure that there are research and development, extension and market complementation;
- Undertake a continuing and periodic annual evaluation of extension programs;
- Share costs/resources (provincial, municipal, and barangay levels) for extension interventions;
- Provide pertinent data necessary for agricultural extension activities
- Coordinate and oversee program implementation
- Review programs and recommend remedial measures when necessary; and

- Facilitate fund sourcing for program implementation

#### 4.2.2. Department of Agriculture – Regional Field Units (DA-RFUs)

- Together with ATI, formulate programs to provide continuing education and technical assistance to LGUs in sectoral planning and programming;
- Periodically assess the agricultural and fishery planning and programming capability of LGUs
- Undertaken extension services in collaboration with LGUs and SUCs;
- Monitor and evaluate plans and programs;
- Ensure that there are research and development, extension and market complementation at the regional level

#### 4.2.3. Agricultural Training Institute

- Advise the DA in the management of financial and logistical support for extension
- Provide leadership in the formulation of the national agriculture and fisheries extension agenda and budget;
- Implement monitoring and evaluation on extension;
- Ensure that there are research and development, extension and market complementation at the national level;
- Prepare an integrated public-funded training plan in agriculture and fishery;
- Set up a certification system for vocational and technical training in agriculture in collaboration with the TESDA;
- Develop and administer a national human resource development program for short-term and degree and non-degree training for LGU extension personnel;
- Maintain a computerized database on extension force and extension service providers and develop an accreditation system for private entities;
- Provide continuing development communication support through the tri-media for the nationwide extension system and;
- In consultation with all the appropriate agencies and entities, formulate the parameters and guidelines in the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of AFE initiatives, national merit and promotion system for extension personnel, co-financing agreement with the local government units on the financing agriculture and fisheries extension programs, preparation of extension programs of SUCs, harnessing the resources and the expertise of the private sector in the provision of extension services, and evaluation of agricultural and fisheries extension performance, activities, institutions, and outputs.

#### 4.2.4. State Universities and Colleges (SUCs)

- Primarily focus on the improvement of the capability of the LGU extension service by providing degree and non-degree training programs, technical assistance, extension cum research activities, monitoring and evaluation of LGU extension programs and information support services through the tri-media and electronics.

#### 4.2.5. National Government Agencies (NGAs) other than DA

- Provide technical assistance and other services based on their mandate;
- Train LGU extension personnel;
- Improve physical facilities;
- Conduct extension cum research; and
- Provide information support services

#### 4.2.6. Private Sector - Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) and People's Organizations (POs)

- Assist in community organizing and use of participatory approaches; and
- Popularize training materials, regenerative agricultural technologies, agri-business and management skills

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