Monthly Regional Agricultural Situation Report of Davao Region

April 2015

1. CROPS

- The dry spell affected the farmlands in Baguio, Marilog, Paquibato, Toril and Tugbok (Districts) in Davao City.
- In Davao Oriental, 17,000 pieces of cacao seedlings were newly planted in Barangay Pundaguitan, Governor Generoso under the National Greening Program (NGP).

2. PRICES AND MARKET SUPPLY

• In Compostela Valley, retail price of cabbage went up from P30.00-P50.00 to P40.00-P60.00 per kilogram due to lesser supply. Likewise, price of habitchuelas increased from P30.00-P50.00 to P50.00-P80.00 per kilogram because of sustained demand.

3. INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT, PROGRAMS, POLICIES AND GOVERNMENT INTERVENTIONS

- In Compostela Valley, 18 fishing boats were given by the Philippine Council for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Research and Development-Department of Science and Technology (PCAARRD-DOST)/Davao del Norte State College to Bongabong Fisherfolk's Association in Bongabong, Pantukan.
- In Davao del Norte, the Provincial Agriculturist Office (PAO)-Crop Section distributed 5,920 pieces of laminated sacks from the Department of Agriculture Regional Central Experimental Station (DARCES). The municipality of Asuncion received 1,000 pieces; Kapalong, 550 pieces; New Corella, 900 pieces; Talaingod, 50 pieces; Tagum, 100 pieces; San Isidro, 50 pieces; B.E. Dujali, 720 pieces; Carmen, 1,000 pieces; Island Garden City of Samal (IGaCoS), 50 pieces; Panabo, 200 pieces; and Sto. Tomas,1,300 pieces. PAO-Livestock Section in Davao del Norte dispersed four (4) head of goats to Barangay Villarica, Babak District, IGaCoS under the Minimum Basic Needs Project.
- The Fisheries Section of PAO in Davao del Norte dispersed 25,000 tilapia fingerlings to EZRA Christian Ministry for Peace Incorporated in Barangay Tuganay, Carmen; 100,000 tilapia fingerlings in B.E.Dujali; 50,000 tilapia fingerlings in Kapalong; and 50,000 tilapia fingerlings in Carmen.
- In Davao del Sur, the Provincial Veterinarian Office (PVO) treated 15 head of hogs against cholera. A total of 335 head of cattle and hogs were artificially inseminated and 6,039 head of goats, cattle, and hogs were dewormed. Around 3,152 head of different animals were given vitamins.

• The Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) of Davao del Sur dispersed 1.2 million pieces of milkfish larvae throughout Caraga and 1.9 million pieces of bangus larvae in Panabo City. About 42,000 tilapia fingerlings were dispersed in Sta. Maria and 40,000 tilapia fingerlings in Magsaysay. The municipality of Hagonoy received 100,000 pieces of milkfish fry.

4. TRAINING, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS

- In Davao del Norte, the PAO conducted a Coffee Production Training in Sitio Paiton, Barangay Dagohoy, Talaingod on April 24, 2015 to 40 farmers. The training aimed to encourage farmers to engage in coffee production to augment their income.
- In Davao del Sur, Rice Congress was attended by 2,500 participants at Hotel de Crisbelle. The Congress was sponsored by the National Rice Board and DA Central Office in coordination with the PAO.
- Banana Fusarium Wilt Briefing was attended by 70 farmers at DA Satellite Training Center. The DA-RFO Caraga and PAO sponsored the activity.

5. WEATHER SITUATION

• Sunny weather with occasional rain showers mostly in the evening was experienced in the region. In Davao del Sur, most municipalities remained dry for quite a long time.