

**Administrative Order  
No. 44  
September 9, 1991**

**SUBJECT: Creation of a Forestry Sector Coordinating  
Committee**

In accordance with the agreements reached during the forestry mini-donor's meeting held last April 26, 1991 and to ensure complementation and proper utilization of donor inputs to the forestry sector, a Forestry Sector Coordinating Committee (FSCC) is hereby created.

The FSCC shall assist the DENR in performing the following functions on an advisory level:

1. To foster closer cooperation among the members of the Donor Community, DENR and the oversight agencies
2. Supervision/management of the implementation of the Master Plan for Forestry Development (MPFD)
3. Sourcing and proper allocation of resources for the implementation of the fifteen investment programs of the MFPD
4. Resolution of major issues affecting the implementation of foreign-assisted forestry projects/programs
5. Strengthening of the mechanism for the coordination of the activities of development projects and programs under the forestry sector
6. Provisions of a mechanism for information sharing on forest development and management matters.

The FSCC shall be chaired by the DENR Secretary with the DENR Undersecretary for Planning, Policy and Project Management as vice chairman. It shall initially be composed of representatives from the following agencies as core members:

**DENR**

1. Undersecretary for Legislative Affairs
2. Director, Forest Management Bureau
3. Director, Environment Management Bureau

4. Director, Parks and Wildlife Bureau
5. Director, Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau
6. Director, Special Concerns Office
7. Representative, Non-Governmental Organization

#### **Oversight Agencies**

1. Budget Operations Bureau D, Department of Budget and Management
2. Public Investment Staff, National Economic Development Authority
3. International Finance Group, Department of Finance

#### **Donor Community**

1. Asian Development Bank (ADB)
2. World Bank (WB)
3. United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
4. Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund (OECF)
5. Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
6. Government Technical Cooperating Agency of Germany (GTZ)
7. Australian International Development Assistance Bureau (AIDAB)
8. New Zealand Embassy/Ministry of External Relations and Trade
9. European Economic Community (EEC)
10. Finland International Development Agency (FINNIDA)
11. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
12. Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
13. Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)

Representatives from other agencies shall be requested to attend committee meetings as the need arises.

The Foreign Assisted and Special Projects Office (FASPO), the DENR unit directly responsible for the preparation/appraisal, monitoring and coordination of the ENR foreign assisted programs/projects shall act as the secretariat of the Committee.

The FSCC shall meet at least three times a year.

This Order takes effect immediately.

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Secretary