

Administrative Order
No. 43
June 29, 1993

SUBJECT : Establishing National Demonstration Centers for technological advances in Tree Breeding and Propagation in the Philippine Forest Development Project, Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte and Aklan Reforestation Project, Tangalan, Aklan

In support to the National Forestation Program of the country and to ensure a successful attainment of the objectives of the FAO Regional Project on Improved Productivity of Man-Made Forests Through the Application of Technological Advances in Tree Breeding and Propagation (RAS/91/004), FORTIP for short, in the Philippines, 10 hectare national demonstration centers are hereby established in the areas of the Philippine Forestry Development Project (PFDP) in Pasuquin, Ilocos Norte and Aklan Reforestation Project (ARP) in Tangalan, Aklan.

Specifically, these centers will showcase the proper application of technological advances in establishing: (1) seed production areas consisting of phenotypically superior trees in already established plantations for the production of high-quality seeds, and (2) clonal plantation of genetically superior individuals as source of high-quality planting materials of selected species.

In establishing seed production areas in existing plantation, timber stand improved activities such as roguing, thinning, pruning and weeding shall be done to improve the growth and development as well as the productive capacity of selected seed trees. Timbers produced from timber stand improvement activities shall be turned over to the Projects for official construction/building repair use only.

The ERDB, PFDP/ARP and FORTIP shall jointly manage the demonstration centers with ERDB as the lead agency. FORTIP and ERDB will provide the resources and technical assistance while PFDP/ARP shall protect the demonstration centers from all kinds of destruction and extend whatever facilities available at the site such as vehicle, office space and sleeping quarter to ERDB and FORTIP staff for their use.

Monthly progress and yearly performance reports of the centers shall be submitted to the Foreign Assisted Special Project Office (FASPO), DENR and to the other offices concerned.

Tripartite meeting shall be conducted by ERDB, FORTIP and PFDP/ARP at the end of every year to assess and refine the implementation of the centers.

This Order shall take effect immediately and supersede all other orders inconsistent therewith.

For strict compliance.

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