

**DENR Administrative Order  
No. 98 - 07  
February 17, 1998**

**SUBJECT : Declaring the Month of March as  
Gender and Development Month  
(GAD Month).**

Pursuant to RA 6949 declaring March 8 of every year as National Women's Day, Proclamation No. 227 providing for yearly observance of the Women's role in History, and Executive Order 273 adopting the Philippine Plan for Gender Responsive Development, we hereby declare the month of March as Gender and Development Month.

We will adopt the theme that will be proclaimed by the Office of the President through the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women or NCRFW. In addition, we shall have our GAD vision as a sub-theme.

All offices of the Department are hereby enjoined to participate in the activities of the GAD Month. The GAD Focal Point System from the national down to the CENRO level shall spearhead the organization of activities. To celebrate the month in unity with other organizations, we shall cooperate with other government agencies and NGOs in our respective areas of jurisdiction.

Heads of offices are hereby instructed to submit after activity reports within the month of April.

**(Sgd.) VICTOR O. RAMOS**  
Secretary