

**Introductory Remarks of Secretary Nasser C. Pangandaman in
the 2ND Quarterly Council Meeting and Inter-Agency
Consultation of the National Anti-Poverty Commission – Farmers
Sectoral Council**

First and foremost, I would like to thank the National Anti-Poverty Commission – Farmers Sectoral Council for inviting us in this 2nd Quarterly Council Meeting and Inter-Agency Consultation.

Your invitation is an opportune time for us to present the prospects of Agrarian Reform and Farmers Development beyond 2008. As you all know, House Bill 4077 or the Consolidated Bill sustaining the implementation of CARP is currently pending at the House of Representatives. While there have been positive developments on the bill, now, more than ever, we have to focus our efforts to see the passage of this vital legislation. It is in this regard that I ask the NAPC and all our farmers here today to extend your assistance and support by lobbying for the enactment of this important measure.

But before I proceed with the presentation of general overview of DAR Plans and Programs beyond 2008, allow me to share with you first, the status of program implementation of CARP as of June 2008 and the programs and projects for Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries.

In the course of my presentation, I shall also cite the initiatives to work with people organization, non-government organization and NAPC farmer's council in coordination and partnership with other stakeholders regarding DAR program and services for small farmers which has been requested from us by the NAPC.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION FOLLOWS

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COMPREHENSIVE **A**GRARIAN **R**EFORM **P**ROGRAM

STATUS OF PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AS OF JUNE 2008
AND
PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS FOR AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES

Sec. Nasser C. Pangandaman

Greetings!

I am pleased to share with the members of the Farmers Sectoral Council of NAPC, the status of CARP as of June 2008 and plans beyond 2008.

CARP VISION

“A nation where there is equitable land ownership with empowered agrarian reform beneficiaries who are effectively managing their economic and social development for a better quality of life.”

DAR MISSION

“To lead in the implementation of agrarian reform and sustainable rural development in the countryside through land tenure improvement and provision of integrated development services to landless farmers, farmworkers and small landowner-cultivators, and the delivery of agrarian justice as key to long lasting peace and development in the countryside”

CARP Vision and DAR Mission

The CARP vision and the DAR’s mission serve as the roadmap in the implementation of CARP. We envision a nation where there is equitable land ownership with empowered agrarian reform beneficiaries who are effectively managing their economic and social development for a better quality of life.

To achieve this vision, our primary task is to lead in the implementation of CARP together with the other stakeholders.

CORE PROGRAMS OF CARP

1. LAND TENURE IMPROVEMENT (LTI)

- Security of Land Tenure Provided Through Distribution and Leasehold for Landless Farmers

2. AGRARIAN JUSTICE DELIVERY(AJD)

- Legal Intervention Provided for the Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries (ARBs)

3. PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES DEVELOPMENT (PBD)

- Support Services Implemented, Facilitated & Coordinated for Delivery to ARBs

There are three core interrelated and interdependent core programs of CARP.

The first one is Land Tenure Improvement which will ensure security of tenure of the landless farmers.

The second program is Agrarian Justice Delivery which provides free legal services to the ARBs and affected landowners.

The third component is Program Beneficiaries Development which ensures that appropriate support services will be provided to the ARBs.

LAND TENURE IMPROVEMENT

LAND DISTRIBUTION SCOPE (As of June 2008):

- ⊙ Distribute **5,163,751** hectares of agricultural lands to over **3 Million** landless farmers nationwide.

Accomplishment (As of June 2008):

- ⊙ Distributed **4,002,678** hectares (78%) to **2.327 Million** agrarian reform beneficiaries.
- ⊙ Balance for distribution stands at **1,161,073** hectares (July 2008)



SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS ON LAND TENURE IMPROVEMENT (LTI) AS OF JUNE 2008

LAND DISTRIBUTION:

Approximately 4.002 million hectares of private and public agricultural lands were distributed to 2.327 million agrarian reform beneficiaries. DAR has so far accomplished 78 percent of its scope of 5.164 million hectares leaving a balance of 1.161 million hectares.