

The Survival and Recovery Assistance Program for Sustainable Recovery of Farmers and Fisherfolks

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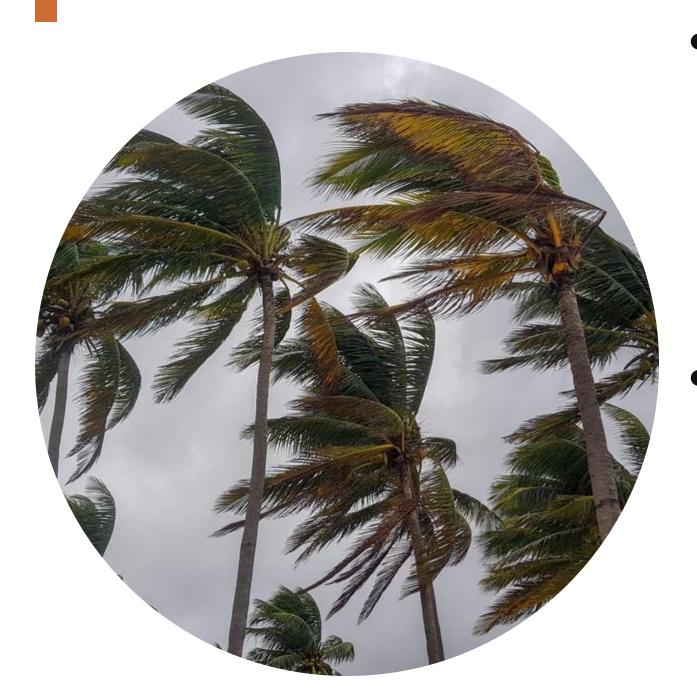
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Survival and Recovery (SURE) Assistance Program Features



- Assistance Program under the Department of Agriculture – Agriculture and Credit Policy Council (DA-ACPC)
- A quick-response, post-disaster support facility for calamity-affected small farmers and fisherfolks



SURE Assistance Program Features



Eligible borrowers should be in the official registry/database of farmers qualified to receive financial support and other interventions from the DA.

Loanable amount up to PhP 25,000.00(USD 439.00)

No collateral and 0 % interest rate for borrowers

Loan maturity and amortization schedule based on cash flow/gestation period but not to exceed 3 years



1 year moratorium on loan payment for existing borrowers who have outstanding loans under other DA-ACPC Programs



Unique feature of SURE as compared to other DA-ACPC Loan Programs

How SURE Assistance Program Works

Lending Scheme



Fund Administration Management



Provision of Loan

DA-ACPC

Through Government Banks Partner Lending
Conduits (PLCs)

(Government Financial Institutions (GFIs), Rural Banks, Cooperative Banks) Eligible Borrowers



How SURE Assistance Program Works

Engaged Organizational Institutions

- Identifies and prepares list of affected small farmers and fisherfolks (SFF)
- Certifies the list and endorses to DA-RFO

LGU

DA-RFO

 Validates with assistance of DA-ACPC staff and endorses the list of eligible SFF to DA-ACPC

Monitoring of Loan Payment

Transmits to PLC
 the validated
 list of SFF eligible
 for loan
 assistance

DA-ACPC

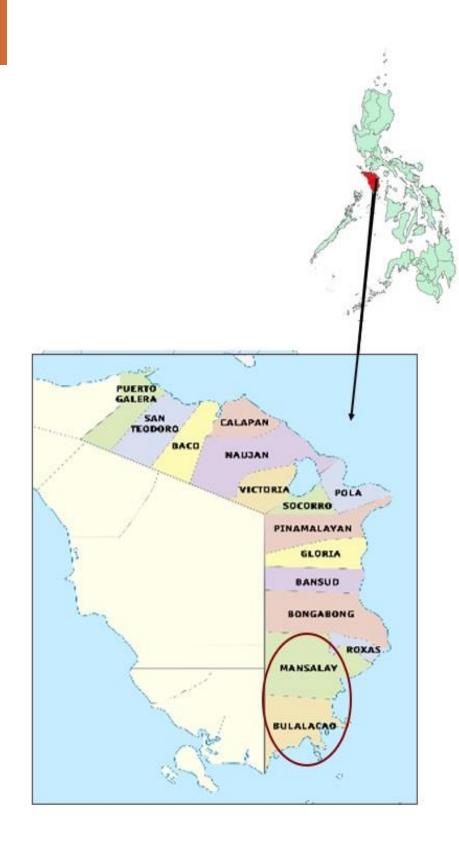
PLC

- Conducts evaluation, character vetting
- Approves/ disapproves loan application
- Facilitate release of loans
- Collects loan payments

Coordination among institutions during Loan Disbursement



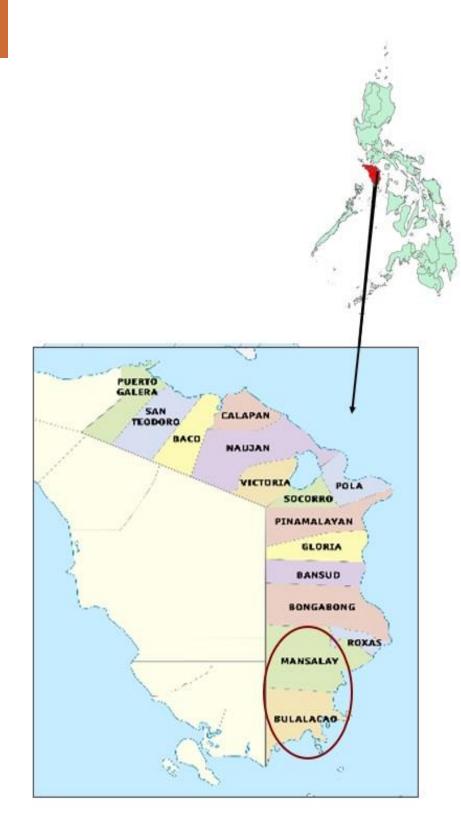
SURE Assistance Program for Drought



- Strong El Niño was present in the tropical Pacific since last quarter of 2023; forecasted to persist until second quarter of 2024; affected most of the agricultural areas in the Philippines.
- The Municipalities of Mansalay and Bulalacao,
 Oriental Mindoro, Philippines were among the first
 municipalities to declare State of Calamity in
 February 2024.
- Mansalay: 1,097 hectares, 740 farmers, damage of about USD 7.4 M
- Bulalacao: 885 hectares, 947 farmers, damage of about USD 1.53 M



SURE Assistance Program for Drought



- Drought assistance was launched to help affected farmers, the first ever drought financing scheme in the Philippines under SURE Assistance Program.
- PhP 80 M (USD 1.403 M) allocated for 3,200 borrowers in Mansalay and Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro.
- Disbursed PhP 62.7 M (USD 1.1 M) to 2,508 borrowers (as of September 04, 2024).



Lessons Learned

- Availability of sustainable funds to support drought financing schemes
- Strong partner lending conduits needed to implement the drought financing schemes of the government
- Information and institutional capacities of the local government covering the affected farmers are key to successful implementation of the drought financing schemes





Thank you!