

HISTORY AND MANDATE

On 04 October 2004, then President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, signed and approved Executive Order No. 366, entitled “Directing a Strategic Review of the Operations and Organizations of the Executive Branch and Providing Options and Incentives for Government Employees Who May Be Affected by the Rationalization of the Functions and Agencies of the Executive Branch” to rationalize Philippine Bureaucracy.

On 29 May 2013, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) approved the Rationalization Plan of the two (2) attached agencies of the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Fiber Industry Development Authority (FIDA) and the Cotton Development Administration (CODA). The FIDA that was created by EO 709 dated July 27, 1981 was mandated to promote the growth and development of the Philippine natural fiber, except cotton. On the other hand, the CODA that was created under RA 8486 signed on February 11, 1998 was mandated to undertake initiative that will spur the growth of the local cotton industry. The consolidation of FIDA and CODA resulted to the creation of Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority (PhilFIDA) which was mandated to promote the growth and development of the natural fiber industry through research and development, production support, fiber processing and utilization, standards implementation and trade regulation.

VISION

A progressive community of fiber producers and entrepreneurs in an environment-friendly, economically viable and globally competitive Philippine natural fiber industry.

MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

To enhance the holistic development of the Philippine natural fiber industry through the implementation of appropriate, quality and timely support programs, projects and activities, guided by the following objectives:

- Promote integrated development of the fiber industry in various aspects of research, production, processing and regulation;
- Promote good agricultural production practices, enforce fiber standards and other regulatory policies to maintain supply of good quality fibers and to ensure worldwide acceptability;
- Improve farm productivity, thereby, increasing farmers' income; and
- Increase domestic processing for employment and higher value-added considerations and increased foreign exchange revenues.

CORE VALUES

We, the employees of PhilFIDA bind ourselves to uphold the Principles of HIBLA: etHics, Integrity, accountaBility, exceLlence and pAtriotism as our commitment and social responsibility in the performance of our duty as public servants.

FUNCTIONS

1. Formulate and implement integrated programs and policy guidelines for the continued development of the fiber industry in consultation with the industry stakeholders;
2. Spearhead the harmonization of programs, projects and activities of all sectors involved in the Philippine natural fiber industry;

3. Undertake research and development programs in support to production, processing and utilization of fibers;

4. Collaborate the formulation and development of standards for various commercial fibers that are or may, hereafter, be produced in the Philippines;

5. Regulate the fiber trading in accordance with the law thru licensing and registration of fiber trade participants such as traders, exporters, manufacturers and classifiers;

6. Recommend the accreditation of seed growers/nursery operators;

7. Accredite fabricators to manufacture PhilFIDA-designed machinery, tool and equipment;

8. Enforce the Philippine National Standards to include fiber classification, grading, baling, tagging and marking of Philippine natural fibers; and

9. Undertake skills development trainings and workshops to improve the technical and entrepreneurial capabilities of stakeholders.



SERVICES PROVIDED

- ▶ Technical assistance to LGUs on the proper culture, management and protection of fiber crops and on the establishment and rehabilitation of fiber crop plantations;
- ▶ Training on fiber production, fiber extraction, fiber grading and classification, fiber processing and handicraft making such as but not limited to handmade paper making, sinamay and piña cloth weaving;
- ▶ Provision of disease-free planting materials to LGUs;
- ▶ Technical information and testing services on fiber identification, characterization and fiber extraction, and quality of pulp;
- ▶ Provision of fiber industry statistics and other market-related information pertaining to fibercrop business activities;
- ▶ Program or project development preparation for local and foreign funding; and
- ▶ Issuance of licenses to fiber trade participants, implementation of fiber quality standards, rules and regulations especially on fiber grading and baling operation, inspection and monitoring of set policies, rules and regulation on the industry.



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