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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23-2023

AN ORDER CREATING THE EL NIÑO TASK FORCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF PINAMALAYAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO

WHEREAS, the DOST-PAGASA has raised the El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) Alert and Warning System to El Niño Watch, based on the recent conditions and forecast models indicating that the El Niño season will likely develop in July to September of 2023 and may last until 2024;

WHEREAS, El Niño, which is the warm phase of ENSO, is the unusual warmer than average characteristic of sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern equatorial Pacific;

WHEREAS, El Niño increases the likelihood of below-normal conditions which could bring negative impacts (such as dry spell and droughts) in some areas of the country while on the western part, above-normal rainfall conditions during the southwest monsoon or Habagat may be expected;

WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) issued Memorandum Circular No. 2023-065 providing for the policy content and guidelines on taking precautionary measures against the effects of El Niño by local government units through various actions;

WHEREAS, in order to mitigate and prepare for the ongoing and potential adverse effects of El Niño in the municipality by implementing the identified actions in DILG MC 2023-065 and other related-programs and activities, an El Niño Task Force must be organized in the Municipality of Pinamalayan to serve as the primary planning, implementing, and monitoring body on El Niño-related programs, projects, and activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARISTEO A. BALDOS, JR., Local Chief Executive of Municipality of Pinamalayan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the creation of the Municipal El Niño Task Force of the Municipality of Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro.

Section 1. Composition – The Municipal El Niño Task Force of the Municipality of Pinamalayan shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:

HON. ARISTEO A. BALDOS, JR. - Municipal Mayor

Members:

HON. EDWIN D. HERNANDEZ	- SB Member, Chair of the Comm. on Disaster Risk Reduction & Management
ATTY. MIRASOL J. SANTOS	- Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan
MR. DANIEL Q. FRUELDA	- Acting Municipal Administrator
ENP. ROSENIO A. TORIANO	- Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator
MS. ZAIDA D. MICIANO	- Municipal Budget Officer
MS. JUDY D. MORENTE	- Municipal Accountant
MR. PLARIDEL S. CUPIADO	- Municipal Treasurer
MR. DANNY S. VILLACRUSIS	- Municipal Agriculturist
MS. GRACE EUNICE F. FABELLA	- MSWD Officer
MR. CARLITO M. MEJICO	- Municipal Assessor
ENGR. MANOLITO E. MASCULINO	- Municipal Engineer
DRA. NIÑA KRISTINNE PUNZALAN	- Municipal Health Officer
MR. ALAN MICHAEL V. ANSALDO	- OIC-Market Operations Department





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MS. NEMIA B. MONSANTO	Administrative Officer V - Municipal Government Department Head I
MR. ENRIQUE N. MOCLING	- Acting Municipal Civil Registrar
MR. EDWIN C. MICIANO	- Municipal Government Department Head I
MR. MARLO C. ROSALES	- Municipal Government Department Head I
MR. RONE B. MADRID	- Administrative Officer IV/OIC-GSO
MR. RICARDO A. LIM	- Special Concerns Office Focal/ PESO Manager
ENGR. ROY C. LUCBAN	- Zoning Officer III
MS. ANGELA CAMILLE F. SAMARITA	- Administrative Officer IV
MR. RANDY S. RODIL	- Tourism Operations Officer I
PLTCOL ALDWIN R. SANTOS	- Acting Chief of Police, MPS
INSP. BENJAMIN H. NAVARRO	- Municipal Fire Marshal

Secretariat:

The Municipal Agriculture Office shall serve as the Secretariat of the Taskforce. The Secretariat shall be responsible in providing technical and administrative support, documentation of the proceedings, preparation of indorsements, letters, contracts and such other services as may be deemed useful in the discharge of its functions.

Section 2. FUNCTIONS – The Task Force shall lead in the planning/implementation/monitoring of short and long-term solutions and the following actions identified in MC 2023-065 to mitigate and prepare for the adverse effects of El Niño:

1. Urgently enact ordinances curbing illegal connections and encouraging the prudent use of water, which includes using broom, instead of a water hose, in cleaning sidewalks and driveways; fixing leaky faucets; using pail or bucket, instead of hose in cleaning cars; using recycled or leftover water for houseplants; and watering gardens during the coolest part of the day;
2. Allow water concessionaires and water utilities to conduct emergency repair of leaks prior to securing the necessary excavation permit, provided the said permit shall be secured within a reasonable period from the commencement of the repair works;
3. Lift the application of number-coding schemes, as applicable, with respect to the water tankers that will be used by water concessionaires, and water utilities to immediately address the water supply needs of their affected customers;
4. Implement and update the existing contingency plans related to the El Niño Phenomenon;
5. Coordinate with the Regional Office of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) for planning and aligning actions to be undertaken in reference to the Expanded Roadmap for Addressing the Impact of El Niño (E-RAIN);
6. Coordinate with the Philippine Council for Agricultural, Aquatic, Research and Development and Natural Resources (PCAARRD), through the Regional Offices of the DOST, for possible and available technology that could help mitigate the effects of El Niño in local agriculture and commerce;
7. Stockpile relief goods (food and non-food items) for immediate relief assistance.





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8. Conduct massive Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaigns in communities on the following:
 - a. Read monthly climate advisories issued by DOST-PAGASA and get updates on your local disaster risk reduction and management councils;
 - b. Check and immediately fix water leaks or report problems to appropriate authorities;
 - c. Maximize rainwater harvesting and storage;
 - d. Implement water conservation measures;
 - e. Cooperate on local measures to help manage the impacts of El Niño;
 - f. Get crop insurance and check advisories from local agricultural officials;
 - g. Set air-conditioning units between 22 degrees Celsius to 25 degrees Celsius.
9. Disseminate and implement water conservation tips to all concerned:
 - a. Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth. Better yet, use a glass;
 - b. Remove all leftover food before washing the dishes. Wash them using a small basin. Store and reuse the final rinse water to flush toilets;
 - c. Store and reuse laundry water to clean floors, flush toilets, etc;
 - d. Water plants early in the morning or late in the afternoon to minimize evaporation;
 - e. Do not hose down your vehicle. Clean it using a washcloth and pail;
 - f. Use water-efficient gadgets, such as high-pressure, low-volume hoses and showerheads, faucets with aerators and double-flush toilets.
10. Coordinate with respective Department of Agriculture (DA) Offices for the following recommended mitigating measures to address the effects of El Niño:
 - a. Conduct of cloud seeding operations (CSO) by the concerned DA Regional Offices;
 - b. Implement rotational irrigation scheme and other water-saving technology, such as Alternate Wetting and Drying (AWD);
 - c. Strategize areas to be irrigated, and re-use wastewater from drainage canals;
 - d. Utilize solar pump irrigation;
 - e. Adapt drought-resistant and early-maturing seed varieties;
 - f. Maximize and optimize the production in non-threatened areas by the provision of seeds and planting materials, fertilizers, soil ameliorants, flower inducers, mulching film, pesticides/herbicides, drugs and biologics, provision of pumps and engine sets, fuel subsidy.
 - g. Save vulnerable areas through appropriate water management and other related interventions, by conducting cloud seeding operations, shifting to other crops, provision of pumps and engine sets, fuel subsidy, provision of short gestation/drought-tolerant seed varieties, planting materials, fertilizers, soil ameliorants, flower inducers, mulching film, pesticides/herbicides, drugs and biologics;
 - h. Adjust the cropping calendar and pattern of planting in some areas;
 - i. Maintain canal embankments and paddy bunds to minimize conveyance and farm losses;
11. The Department of Health (DOH) also recommended the following mitigating measures to control the health consequences of the unusual drier conditions due to El Niño:
 - a. Strengthening disease surveillance and control;
 - b. Safe water and sanitation services;
 - c. Health and hygiene promotion;
 - d. Availability of emergency health supplies and vaccines; And





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e. Continued and easy access to health care and health information.

Section 3. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this **22nd** day of **May, 2023** in the Municipality of Pinamalayan, Province of Oriental Mindoro.


ARISTEO A. BALDOS, JR.
Municipal Mayor

