

Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF ISABELA Tanggapan ng Junong Lalawigan Bojie - Rodito Opportunities Farmer Assistance Program Office

BRO FOR AGRICULTURE Accomplishment Report 2017

Bojie-Rodito Opportunities – Ayuda Sa Presyo (BRO-ASAP)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

This program provides for the grant by the Provincial Government of a "premium price" for the first 50 cavans of palay or corn sold to the National Food Authority (NFA) by small farmers. As an incentive to production, the Provincial Government will add P4.00 to the NFA palay and P3.50 corn buying price per kilo.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

Stabilize price of rice and corn by way providing premium price for palay and corn on top of NFA's existing buying price towards increasing farmers income and reduce middlemen's intervention in the marketing chain.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

BRO-Ayuda sa Presyo	Provision of P4.00 premium price	The ASAP/PP	P Begii	nning fund
(BRO-ASAP)	per kilo for rice and P3.50 corn	balance as of D	ec. 31,20	16.
	sold by farmers to NFA.	Fund Balance		
		Palay	3,891,19	92.50
		Corn	4,331,1	41.84
		Total	8,222,3	34.24
		Disbursement		
		Palay	4,385,4	57.86
		Corn	989,00	06.64
		Total	5,374,4	164.50
		Remaining Balance as of January 15,		
		2018. 2,847,869.74		
		Details of Disbursement		
			Palay	Corn
		# Farmer	509	209
		# Bags		20,491
		6,438		
		ENW (kgs)		971,237.67
		329,668.90		

IMPACT:

- The programs gave Provincial Government of Isabela an opportunity to grant financial assistance to small farmers by providing available funds in coordination with NFA.
- The LGU established closer working relationship with other government agencies to maximize services to its constituents.
- The programs have influenced the marketing of the produce of farmers due to its "pull-up" effect on its ex-farm prices of palay and corn. Meaning, grains traders who usually dictate buying prices were forced to buy at higher prices due to the competition posed by the marketing assistance programs (BRO-ASAP and BRO PPP) provided to farmers.
- Corn users also benefited from the program because they were provided assistance and alternative opportunity in sourcing their corn requirements using NFA facilities and network.
- The Provincial Government of Isabela (thru NFA) has accumulated additional rice buffer stocks for its price and supply stabilization function by directly procuring palay/rice stocks from farmers and minimize its importation.
- The indirect role of the program in discarding provincial monopolies or cartels in grains business provides a social feeling of comfort from among the farmers knowing of the existence of the program, a reason, for the pursuance of the project for the next powers that be.

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