



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 46-C - 2019

**ADOPTING THE POLICY OF CONTINUING ASSISTANCE TO ALL SMALL FARMERS
IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA AS A MEANS TO SUSTAIN THE AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY AND
ACHIEVE FOOD SECURITY IN THE PROVINCE**

WHEREAS, in accordance with National Policy to uplift citizens and marginalized sectors from poverty, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) has been implementing Small Farmer Assistance programs, projects, and activities since 2012, as a way to ensure the continuing profitability of the agriculture industry, increase farmer incomes, and address poverty among marginalized farmers and farmworkers in the province;

WHEREAS, the value and effectiveness of the small farmer assistance and agriculture support program implemented by the PGI contributed to the decrease in Poverty Incidence in Isabela from 26% in 2009 to 10% in 2019;

WHEREAS, with the implementation of Republic Act 11203, or the Rice Tariffication Law, the price of local rice dropped and farmer incomes have been reduced, as a result of the flooding of imported rice often sold at a lower price in the local market;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the PGI to adopt a continuing policy to implement programs that strengthen the rice industry, improve the quality of life of all farmworkers and all households dependent on agriculture for their livelihood, and also achieve food security in Isabela;

Now, therefore, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by the powers vested in me by law, hereby issue this Order **ADOPTING THE POLICY OF CONTINUING ASSISTANCE TO ALL SMALL FARMERS IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA AS A MEANS TO SUSTAIN THE AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY AND ACHIEVE FOOD SECURITY IN THE PROVINCE**.

Further, all offices and departments of the Provincial Government of Isabela are hereby directed henceforth to include in their plans and programs, projects and activities in support of local agriculture, small farmers, marginalized and indigent households, and agriculture-dependent livelihoods.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately, and let copies hereof be provided to all concerned for their information, reference, and guidance.

Done in the Province of Isabela, this 15th day of October, 2019.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor 

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela