

## Office of the Governor

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15 -2019

## CREATING THE 1 MILLION TREES 1 DAY TASK FORCE FOR THE REFORESTATION OF THE SIERRA MADRE AND OTHER AREAS OF CONCERN

Whereas, it is the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.

Whereas, the state recognizes the vital role and importance of trees in ecological stability. Hence, there is a need for a collaborated effort between the State and its citizenry to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvenate our environment by undertaking tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability;

Whereas, the provincial government is at present implementing a Forestation Program to revegetate open and denuded forest lands and provide a wholesome environment along the Northern Sierra Madre Natural Park;

Whereas, pursuant to the foregoing strategies and programs and to further encourage the citizenry's involvement in the realization of the same, there is a need to advocate a massive ecological campaign, which shall take a holistic view in the rehabilitation and development of both terrestrial and marine ecosystems in the province;

Whereas, there is a need to organize a taskforce that will guide policy formulation, strengthen the implementation of all forest plantation and rehabilitation activities in the province, ensure tighter inter-agency cooperation in the conduct of this ecological campaign, and harmonize local efforts to curb environmental destructions;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, **RODOLFO T. ALBANO III**, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me, hereby decree the following:

Section 1. Creation. The 1 MILLION TREES 1 DAY TASK FORCE is hereby created.

Section 2. Composition. The Taskforce shall be composed, to wit:

Chairperson:

Hon. Rodolfo T. Albano III

Governor

Vice Chairperson:

For. Geronimo P. Cabaccan, Jr.-

**Provincial ENRO** 

For. Marlon C. Agnar

PENRO-DENR

Over-all In-Charge of Implementation/ Execution:

Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez Provincial Administrator

Action Officers:

Hon. Dax Paulo C. Binag

SK Federation President-Isabela

Mr. Reymel C. Resposo

OIC- Provincial Youth Development Office

Members:

Hon. Marco Paulo A. Meris SP Committee on Environment

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League of Municipalities President-Isabela Federation

Liga ng mga Baranggay President-Isabela Federation

Engr. Corazon L. Toribio Provincial Director- DILG Isabela

P/COL Mariano C Rodriguez Provincial Director-IPPO

LTCOL Gladiuz C Calilan
Batallion Commander- 95IB PA

Atty. Eduardo R. Cabantac Provincial Planning and Development Officer

Mr. Rodrigo T. Sawit Provincial General Services Officer

SDS Reynante Z. Caliguiran DepEd- Isabela

SDS Cherry S. Ramos DepEd- City of Ilagan

SDS Gilbert N. Tong DepED- Cauayan City

Dr. Ricmar P. Aquino President- ISU

Civic Society Organization

Mr. Jessie James P. Geronimo Social Media

Section 3. 4 Functions and Responsibilities. The 1 MILLION TREES 1 DAY TASK FORCE shall perform the following functions:

- a) Encourage the rehabilitation and regreening of the Northern Sierra Madre, all open and denuded lands of the public domain, idle lands, and other suitable areas, both urban and rural including rehabilitation of coastal or marine areas;
- b) Shall identify, assess, and designate actual areas for rehabilitation, development, planting, and management, taking into consideration the ecological zones and the provisions of Republic Act 7588 creating the Integrated Protected Areas System, including other relevant environment and natural resources programs;
- c) Encouraged the participation of some 25,000 coming from BRO Scholars, Sangguniang Kabataan, LGUs, Public and Private Sector, through cooperative tree planting agreements and other appropriate arrangements. Suitable areas shall be made available to civic and professional organizations and other Civic Society Organizations (CSO's) to develop and maintain, using their own resources, with free technical advice from the DENR and Provincial ENRO;
- d) Ensure that the requirement of number of trees that will be planted will reach the 1 Million mark in 1 day of activity and develop measures that will provide nursery establishment, seedling production, site preparation, and provision of security;

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e) The task force shall prepare the necessary implementing guidelines for the effective implementation of this Executive Order. The guidelines shall require the submission of periodic reports to the Office of the Governor;

**Section 4.** Funding. Funding for the operations of the Task Force shall be sourced from the Office of the Provincial Governor Funds.

**Section 5.** Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this <u>25th</u> day of <u>July</u> 2019 in City of Ilagan,

RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

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