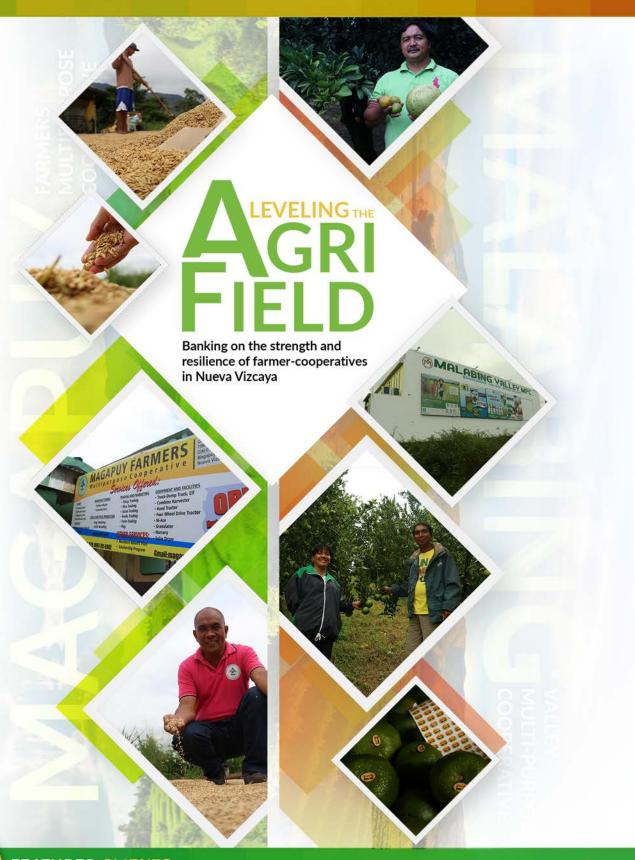
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OF GRAINS AND GRATITUDE THE MAGAPUY FARMERS MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE



ucked quietly just at the outskirts of one of the vast rice fields stretching across Nueva Vizcaya is the main office of the Magapuy Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative in Brgy. Magapuy in Bayombong.

Underneath this unassuming surrounding and the quiet cooperative staff at work is a strength that has become a consistent source of hope and reliability for hundreds of small farmers seeking economic stability in the challenging landscape of agriculture in the country.

The Magapuy Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative was established, in large part, from efforts by the then LANDBANK Field Office. Newly opened in 1989 in Nueva Vizcaya, LANDBANK, with its role of helping organize cooperatives, helped the cooperative get off the ground in November 1990. The Bank also coordinated with the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) to help the Magapuy Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative get registered. The following year, it became a LANDBANK client, getting the much-needed financing for the farm production projects of its members.



Although it remains barangay-based, relatively small in scale compared to other agri-based cooperatives, Magapuy Farmers MPC has been instrumental in building the individual socio-economic capabilities of its members through low interest loans, not just in Magapuy, but in neighboring communities as well. The Cooperative serves as the market outlet of farmers' palay through its grains trading business, complete with a warehouse that can store 5,000 cavans, a solar dryer with a capacity of 250 bags, 4-wheel tractors, a combine harvester, and hauling trucks.

Magapuy Farmers has also ventured into other businesses geared toward its operational stability and members' alternative livelihood. Members can sell their piglets to the Co-op for its managed piggery that has a capacity for 120 heads of fatteners. It also has a hollow blocks making business that is manned by some of its farmers during pre-and post-harvest season.

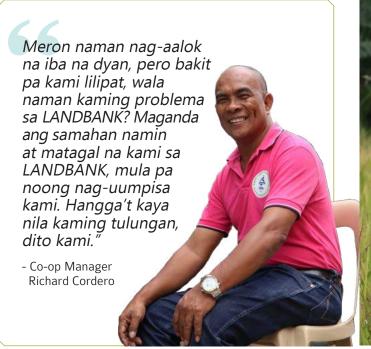
All these are part of the Co-op's efforts and strong commitment to address the needs of the farmers and ensure that they are able to fulfill their financial obligations to their loved ones and the Co-op itself. The Cooperative, in spite of its now established credibility in the eyes of financial institutions, remains loyal to LANDBANK. Co-op Manager Cordero says that there have been other banks offering their services. However, the Co-op is happy and content with what is already has with LANDBANK.



Maasahan ang ready credit na mababa ang interes, at dahil sila mismo ay magsasaka, madaling kausap sa pag-ani, sa pag punla."

- Renato Santiago, Co-op Member

A member for four years now, Agrarian Reform Beneficiary (ARB) Renato Santiago has been a farmer all his life. He regularly goes to the office to update his accounts. Aside from the financing he avails, he is grateful that he can count on the co-op to buy his grains, whether fresh at about P11.50, or dry at P15.00; as well as some of his young pigs, if need be, which can fetch P110/kilo.



The Cooperative's loans with LANDBANK have been used for its grains trading and trucking, along with a credit facility for palay production to allow members to avail of low-interest loans.

To date, around 480 farmer-members from four neighboring barangays are able to till 480 hectares of irrigated rice land.

Of its members, 170 are ARBs.



hree days, sometimes a week." This was how long it took the local folks living in the steep mountainside of Malabing Valley, Kasibu to get to and fro the lowlands of Nueva Vizcaya back in the day. And it was either on foot, or on the back of a logging truck if one is lucky enough to chance upon one passing by.

Remembering from childhood, Daniel Bartong says, "kung mayroon nagsabi sa akin dati na kaya ng isang oras ito, hindi ko talaga paniniwalaan." And yet, these days, it does take only an hour by vehicle — preferably the offroad type, he adds — to gain access to the rich orchards of citrus trees and vegetable farms covering Malabing Valley. The significant change in travel time, he says, is the result of the completion of the concrete roads around 2016 that now lead to the barangays dotting the highlands.

Mr. Bartong is currently the General Manager of the Malabing Valley Multi-Purpose Cooperative, with its main office complex located just at the foot of the valley along the Provincial Road, Bagahabag in Solano. He started with the Cooperative as a bookkeeper 16 years ago before taking on the task of managing the overall operations in 2008. As much as he has made leaps and bounds with the Cooperative, he duly gives credit where it is due — to its founder and considered father of citrus farming in Nueva Vizcaya, Alfonso Namujhe Jr.

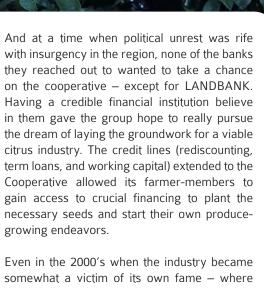
Malabing Valley MPC is the brainchild of Alfonso Namujhe Jr., whose family

migrated along with other Cordillerans in the 1960s to populate the province. He grew up with his parents planting the dalandan fruit they brought from Ifugao. This experience sparked a passion to see the vast potential for homegrown citrus, especially with the rich soil and climate the place had to offer. He resigned from his managerial job at Monterey Farms to pursue this idea that has now grown into the signature harvest in Nueva Vizcaya.

The Cooperative now has 2,100 members that include close to 500 citrus growers reaping the rewards of their own hard work.

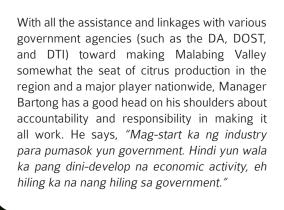






Even in the 2000's when the industry became somewhat a victim of its own fame — where oversupply pushed prices to the ground, affecting the ability of the Co-op's members to make repayments — LANDBANK remained a constant. "Dahil sa development assistance at training ng LANDBANK, gumanda ang operations ng Co-op, lalo na yun customer care, nagkaroon ng customer care excellence. We are very thankful to LANDBANK kasi naniwala sila na kaya natin, at kaya ng mga members natin maski farmers sila."









BRIDGING THE GAP

LANDBANK AND DA BRING SURE AID TO RICE FARMERS



DA Acting Secretary William Dar, LANDBANK President and CEO Cecilia Borromeo, and Nueva Ecija Gov. Aurelio Umali (center) hand over a ceremonial LANDBANK Cash Card to farmer-representatives (front row, I-r) Pablito Feliciano (Zaragoza, Nueva Ecija), Arnold Dizon (San Jose City), Michael Sarmiento (Bongabon, NE), Gaudencio Villegas (Gapan City), and Jun Pasamonte (Sta. Ignacia, Tarlac) during the SURE Aid Program launch in Zaragoza, Nueva Ecija. Joining them are (back row, I-r) Quirino Gov. Dakila Carlo Cua, Isabela Gov. Rodolfo Albano III, Nueva Vizcaya Gov. Carlos Padilla, Tarlac Gov. Susan Yap (hidden), Chief of Staff Atty. Rhaegee Tamaña representing Sen. Cynthia Villar, ACPC Executive Director Jocelyn Alma Badiola, and LANDBANK Executive VP for Agricultural Development Lending Sector Liduvino Geron.

ontinuing its thrust to bring more opportunities for ready credit and financial inclusion to small farmers across the nation, the Land Bank of the Philippines (LANDBANK) and the Department of Agriculture (DA) launched the Expanded Survival and Recovery Assistance Program for Rice Farmers (SURE Aid) — a one-time, zero-interest, no collateral loan amounting to P15,000, payable up to eight years.

The SURE Aid Program aims to provide immediate relief to rice farmers affected by lower palay prices resulting to the reduction or loss of their income, as well as help them regain their capacity to continue production.

Formally launched on September 2, 2019 in Zaragoza, Nueva Ecija, the event saw more than 1,000 farmers receive SURE Aid Cash Cards loaded with P15,000. Leading the distribution were DA Acting Secretary William Dar, LANDBANK President and CEO Cecilia Borromeo, and Nueva Ecija Governor Aurelio Umali. The launch coincided with the 123rd "Unang Sigaw ng Nueva Ecija" celebration, which was also attended by several governors from other rice-producing provinces in

President Borromeo said, "Our farmers can be rest assured that LANDBANK will continue to strengthen its support to the agriculture sector. Through partnership with DA, DAR, and other agencies, we will continue to push for the advancement of our small farmers and fishers."

LANDBANK will administer the P1.5-billion fund from the DA-Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC) by releasing the loans either through direct lending to eligible farmers or through DA-accredited conduits who, in turn, will distribute the funds to the eligible farmers. Meanwhile, DA-ACPC will provide the Bank with the validated list of farmers eligible for the loan assistance, as well as the list of DA-accredited service conduits.

The Program intends to provide financial assistance either directly or through accredited service conduits, to a total of 100,000 rice farmers nationwide, 10,149 of whom are from Nueva Eciia.





PLEDGING FOR SUSTAINABILITY DA GATHERS LGUs FOR NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY SUMMIT 2019



he Department of Agriculture (DA) brought together over 500 participants from both the local government and private sectors to this year's National Food Security Summit, which was hosted by LANDBANK last October 29 and 30 at the LANDBANK Plaza.

The Summit theme of "Sama-sama tungo sa Masaganang Ani at Mataas na Kita" encapsulates the collective efforts of the National and Local Governments, as well as other major movers in finding sustainable solutions to uplift and advance the

agri industry, thereby enhancing food security in the country.

The Summit was led by DA Acting Secretary William Dar, together with Senate Chairfor Agriculture Committee, Senator Cynthia Villar and notable local government leaders, among others. In her address, LANDBANK President and CEO Cecilia Borromeo emphasized the Bank's continuing support to both agriculture and local government sectors by discussing the various lending programs of the Bank catering to these demographics.

PALAY NG LALAWIGAN TAPS INTO LGU SECTOR TO BOOST FARM GATE PRICES FOR PALAY FARMERS



Answering questions during the media briefing are DA Acting Secretary William Dar (2nd from right) and ACPC Executive Director Jocelyn Alma Badiola (right). They are joined by LANDBANK Director Jesus Hinlo Jr. (2nd from left) and First Vice President for Lending Programs Management Emellie Tamayo.

he LANDBANK "PAlay aLAY sa Magsasaka ng Lalawigan, or PALAY ng Lalawigan" Lending Program is focused on providing loans to local government units (LGUs) of rice-producing areas in order for them to purchase palay from local farmers. The Program was announced during a media briefing at the LANDBANK Plaza in Malate, Manila last September 13, 2019.

LANDBANK has earmarked P10 billion for the Program to provide city, municipal, and provincial governments of identified areas nationwide the funds to procure palay from small farmers. The loan has a low interest rate of two (2) per cent per annum. The buying prices per kilo for wet and dry palay at P16 and P19, respectively, are based on figures by the Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC) of the DA.

According to LANDBANK President and CEO Cecilia Borromeo, "This is a direct response of the Bank, together with the Department of Agriculture, to the call of the National Government for a concerted effort of government agencies serving the agriculture sector to firm up its support for our palay farmers in the wake of the impact of lower palay prices."

LANDBANK LAUNCHES LENDING PROGRAM FOR

MANILA BAY REHABILITATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

and surrounding provinces band together to bring more fruition to rehabilitating the Manila Bay, LANDBANK is doing its fair share of ensuring that financing is available to help sustain cleanup efforts.

Together with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Local Government of Manila, LANDBANK officially launched the LANDBANK Solutions for Terminating Solutions (STP) with the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) last September 3, 2019 at the Bulwagang Katipunan of the Manila City Hall.

Manila Mayor Francisco "Isko Moreno" Domagoso and DENR Undersecretary Juan Miguel Cuna led the MOA signing together with LANDBANK Executive Vice President for Corporate Services Sector (CSS) Julio Climaco Jr, representing LANDBANK President and CEO Cecilia Borromeo.

The LANDBANK Solutions for Terminating Pollution (STP) for Manila Bay is a synergistic program to help restore cleanliness of the country's capital harbor, and proper sanitation of the surrounding waterways.

The LANDBANK STP for Manila Bay will provide relevant financing to allow government institutions, business establishments, and other public and private entities to construct or properly connect to a fully functioning sewerage treatment plant.

The drainage area of the Manila Bay harbor covers 1,994 kilometers, with its coastline stretching to about 190 kilometers. It is here where 17 principal river systems drain its waters.

According to Usec. Cuna, the credit program initiated by LANDBANK "will go a long way in helping us ensure that establishments are provided with the means to construct their own sewage treatment plants because they are



Leading the pact for the lending program launch are Manila City Mayor Isko Moreno (center), DENR Undersecretary Cuna (right), and LANDBANK EVP for CSS Climaco (left).

given very good terms." Meanwhile, Executive VP Climaco reiterated that such initiatives are part of the Bank's sustainability efforts, adding that "These are embedded in our mission to deliver innovative products and services that are consonant with ecological enhancement, while effectively

addressing our clients' needs."

The program is in support of the thrusts of the Manila Bay Task Force, created under Administrative Order 16, that is mandated to enforce and take charge of the overall rehabilitation and management of sustaining the Manila Bay.

Whether it be for connecting to a treatment facility or acquisition of necessary equipment for construction, borrowers can secure loans of up to 80% (private corporations), or up to 100% (Local Government Units) of the total project cost or requirement.

The following can take advantage of the LANDBANK STP:

- Business entity registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or with the Department of Trade and Industry
- Cooperative registered with the Cooperative Development Authority
- Government-owned and Controlled Corporation
- Local government unit (LGU)
- Water district
- LGU-operated and managed water utility
- Privately-owned water utility (or operated by a private entity, association, or cooperative)

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ruthering efforts toward sustainable development, LANDBANK brings you the Sustainable Multi-Dimensional Approach Using Revolutionized Technologies (SMART) in City Development Lending Program.

The Program subscribes to the SMART City Framework, developed by the ASEAN Smart Cities Network (ASCN), which pertains to the use of cutting-edge technology in robotics, Artificial Intelligence (AI), and Internet of Things to improve the quality of life and efficiency of urban operations, while ensuring environmental sustainability.

The cities of Manila, Cebu, and Davao have been identified by ASCN as pilot sites for SMART City in the country.

Open to Local Government Units (LGUs) as well as SMEs, corporations, cooperatives, GOCCs, and NGOs that have proposed viable technology projects for their communities that want to pursue the following:



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IMPROVE ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS



DPWH TAPS LANDBANK FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES



C olidifying its support anew to the National Government's Build, Build, Build (BBB) Program, LANDBANK has been selected by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) for its appraisal services.

The Memorandum of Agreement signed last October 14, 2019 sealed the latest partnership which will help speed up the completion of projects under the Program. In particular, this will cover 1,527 DPWH projects nationwide, including farm-to-market roads, bypass roads, and road widening, amounting to an estimated appraisal service fee of P495.78 million.

According to DPWH, it has tapped the services of LANDBANK because of the adequate ability, expertise, and experience in property valuation and appraisal of the Bank's licensed appraisers nationwide. LANDBANK President and CEO Cecilia Borromeo hopes that "our assistance can help ease this process, as we vigorously work together with DPWH in facilitating the acquisition of 'Right-of-Way' sites to be used in government infrastructure projects."

Under the MOA, the Bank will appraise lands and properties affected by DPWH projects to determine their market value, which is one of the requirements for the Department to acquire its Rightof-Way (ROW) as provided under Republic Act 10752 or "The Right of Way Act."

With an estimated budget of P8.4 trillion spread over six years, the Program is meant to usher in a "golden age of infrastructure," bringing in more than 9,000 kilometers of roads; 2,000 bridges; 4,000 flood control projects, as well as new railways and airports.

As the engineering and construction arm of the National Government, DPWH serves as the conduit for the implementation of the BBB Program.



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LANDBANK QUICK TAKES



s LANDBANK intensifies its partnerships toward linking services and seamless implementation of credit programs, especially for small farmers and fishers (SFFs), LANDBANK is bringing more enhancements to the table to complement these efforts.

LENDING TO SFFs

EASIER LOAN AVAILMENT PROCESS



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Promissory note - one page document from 14 pages



Turnaround time - one day* average from maximum commitment of 10 days

*borrower has submitted complete documents with favorable credit/background investigation

MORE AFFORDABLE INTEREST RATES FOR SFFS

per annum for LANDBANK lending programs

per annum for retail lending programs administered for the Department of Agriculture (DA)

ASSISTANCE TO SFFS (as of end-October 2019)

LOANS TO AGRICULTURE

NO. OF FARMER BENEFICIARIES

P231B

949.728

LANDBANK FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS as of end-October 2019

LANDBANK **PERFORMANCE**

AS OF 30 SEPT 2019 AS OF **30 SEPT 2018**

TOTAL ASSETS

P1.96T

P1.77T

CAPITAL

P144.87B

P124.88B P1.57T

DEPOSITS

PORTFOLIO

P1.74T **GROSS LOAN**

P869.31B

P838.75B



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- Libacao Development Cooperative (Libacao, Aklan)
- Lamac Multi-Purpose Cooperative (Aloguinsan, Cebu)
- Baug Carp Beneficiaries MPC (Las Nieves, Agusan del Norte)
- Iggy Castro Hardware (Mayantoc, Tarlac)
- Banko sa Balay Foundation, Inc. (Claveria, Misamis Oriental)



This year, in remembrance of our ancestors' love for the Philippine countryside, home to a diverse range of flora that are unique to our setting, LANDBANK features heirloom plants that offer distinct flavors for the Filipino palate —tastes that are sometimes strong or gentle, deep or delicate, but always special and memorable.

LANDBANK also reminds us that the fragile existence of these heirloom products today reveals the impact of a severed connection: ecosystems under threat of destruction, minority cultures' lands and way of life slowly disappearing, and an agricultural industry embattled by economic pressures. Precious and few these heirloom products have become, and without a renewed commitment to sustainability, they may soon be no more.







POWERING UP THE COUNTRYSIDE THROUGH FINANCIAL INCLUSIVITY AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

We remain steadfast in our mission of promoting financial inclusivity especially in the countryside.

We put into action our passion to serve by going the extra mile to reach the unbanked and underserved.

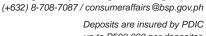
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