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November 17, 2020

**MEMORANDUM FROM THE SECRETARY**

**TO: ALL UNDERSECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES, HEADS OF AGENCIES, AND BUREAU DIRECTORS**

**SUBJECT: OBSERVANCE OF NOVEMBER 23 - 27, 2020 AS NATIONAL BIOTECHNOLOGY WEEK**

In observance of November 23-27, 2020 as National Biotechnology Week, as per Proclamation No. 1414, s. 2007, you are all directed to support the Department's initiatives and activities implemented through the DA Biotech Program Office. You are all enjoined to the event as follows:

Activities	Event Brief	Event Date/Location	Event Registration and/or Link
1. Ribbon cutting of the Technology Exhibit at the DA Lobby	The event intends to showcase the technologies generated through the support of the DA Biotech Program	November 23, 2020 8:30 - 9:00 AM	Not applicable
2. Technical Forum: Greener Green: The Environmental Impact of GM Crops	An event jointly co-organized by SEARCA, Biotech Coalition of the Philippines, IRRI, ISAAA, PBS and DA Biotech Program which aims to provide a platform in order to have a Better understanding of biotechnology and its potential to mitigate pressing	November 23, 2020 2:00 - 3:00 pm	<a href="http://bit.ly/greenergreensforum">http://bit.ly/greenergreensforum</a>

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	environmental issues.		
3. Webinar on Gene Editing: Towards Improving Resiliency and Quality	The activity aims to raise awareness and facilitate understanding of gene editing application in animal and plant breeding	November 24, 2020 9:00 - 11:00 am	<a href="https://bit.ly/3ewsNln">https://bit.ly/3ewsNln</a>
4. Online symposium on Biotechnological Applications Towards a Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture	The event intends to mainstream the use of agricultural biotechnology and showcase biotechnologies in the pipeline that are supported by the DA Biotech Program	November 25, 2020 9:00 - 11:00 am	<a href="https://bit.ly/3ez29j3">https://bit.ly/3ez29j3</a>

For further inquiries, you may coordinate with the DA Biotech Program Office through Mr. Andylord Chua or Ms. Mars Barrogo at telephone number: 8922-0057 or via email: [bpo@da.gov.ph](mailto:bpo@da.gov.ph), [nbwphilbiotech@gmail.com](mailto:nbwphilbiotech@gmail.com).

  
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