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**SUBJECT : FREE SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-
 BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES STANDARDS
 (DA-BAFS) RELATED TO ORGANIC AGRICULTURE
 REGULATIONS**

Please be informed that the **following services of the DA-BAFS are FREE OF CHARGE:**

- 1) certification of Core Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) group members for organic agriculture,
- 2) accreditation of Organic Certifying Bodies (OCB), both third-party and PGS Groups; and
- 3) registration of organic producers (integrated organic farms and organic input producers) and products (organic inputs such as organic soil amendments and organic bio-control agents).

This initiative is aimed at promoting and supporting the development of organic agriculture by reducing the financial barriers for small farmers, fisherfolk, and organic certifying bodies. It reflects the Department’s commitment to fostering sustainable and environment-friendly agricultural practices.

If you are engaged in organic farming, organic inputs production, or part of a certifying body, take advantage of this opportunity to access DA-BAFS' certification, accreditation, and registration services **at no cost**. We believe that this will contribute to the development of a thriving organic agriculture sector, benefiting both producers and consumers.

For inquiries and further information, please contact the Organic Agriculture Division (OAD) of DA-BAFS through our trunkline at (+632) 8273-2474 local 3303 or through email at oad.bafs@gmail.com.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.


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