

# [ PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 805, October 02, 1975 ]

## **IMPLEMENTING THE MINDORO INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE.**

**WHEREAS**, it is a policy of the Government to promote the integrated development of agriculture, natural resources, infrastructure and social services in underdeveloped regions to solidify the economic and social structure of our society;

**WHEREAS**, Letter of Instructions No. 99 was issued creating a Cabinet Coordinating Committee for the purpose of coordinating all integrated rural development project;

**WHEREAS**, an integrated rural development project has been adopted for the Mindoro Island;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Government has signed a loan agreement with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to finance the Mindoro Project;

**WHEREAS**, there is an imperative need to create the organism that will implement the Mindoro Integrated Rural Development Project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, in order to insure the success of this program, do hereby order and decree the following:

**SECTION 1.** *Declaration of Policy.*—The Mindoro Integrated Rural Development Project, hereinafter referred to as the Project, is hereby declared as a project of the national government and that the following policies are adopted for the effective implementation thereof: (a) to integrate national and local government agencies into a working team for planning and implementation of rural development projects; (b) to decentralize the planning and implementation of rural development projects to the local government level;

**SEC. 2.** *Cabinet Coordinating Committee on Integrated Rural Development Projects of the National Economic and Development Authority.*—The composition of the Cabinet Coordinating Committee on Integrated Rural Development Projects of the National Economic and Development Authority, hereinafter referred to as the Cabinet Committee, will be constituted as stipulated in Letter of Instructions No 99 and, in addition, shall include the newly-created Departments involved in integrated rural development projects. The Cabinet Committee shall now be composed of the following:

Secretary, Department of Agriculture	Chairman
Secretary, Department of Public Works, Transportation & Communications	Vice- Chairman
Executive Secretary, Office of the President	Member
Director-General, National Economic and Development Authority	Member
Secretary, Department of Finance	Member
Secretary, Department of Local Government and Community Development	Member

Secretary, Department of Agrarian Reform	Member
Secretary, Department of Natural Resources	Member
Secretary, Department of Public Highways	Member

As further stipulated in Letter of Instructions No. 99, all integrated rural development projects, notably, the Mindoro Integrated Rural Development Project, the Bicol River Basin Project and the Cagayan Integrated Agricultural Development Project, shall continue to be under the supervision and direction of the National Economic and Development Authority through this Cabinet Committee.

The Cabinet Committee is hereby empowered to act as the policy-making and governing body of all integrated rural development projects, and for the purpose is hereby authorized to create a Secretariat.

**SEC. 3.** *Creation of an Executive Committee for the Projects*—The Cabinet Committee shall create an Executive Committee which shall serve as the policy-making and governing body of the Project.

The Executive Committee shall be chaired by the Secretary of Natural Resources and shall have the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Public Highways, the Secretary of Health, the Secretary of Public Works, Transportation and Communications, and the Governors of the two Mindoro Provinces, or their duly designated representatives, as members.

**SEC. 4.** *Powers and Functions of the Executive Committee.*—The Executive Committee, thru its Chairman, shall exercise and discharge the following powers and functions:

- a. Formulate policies and guidelines related to the implementation and management of the Project;
- b. Oversee the coordination of the planning and implementation of the Project;
- c. Identify other rural development projects in the Mindoro provinces for inclusion in the adopted integrated rural development program;
- d. Authorize the Project Director and/or the implementing department or agencies to prepare feasibility studies for newly identified rural development projects for the Mindoro provinces;
- e. Arrange and/or negotiate with local and foreign financial institutions for the funding of other rural development projects mentioned in sub-section (c);
- f. Review the Project's consolidated plans, budgets and work programs;
- g. Call upon any department, bureau, office, instrumentality or any political subdivision of the Government for such assistance it may need in the performance of its functions;
- h. Exercise such other inherent powers and policy-making functions.

**SEC. 5.** *Creation and Domicile of the Mindoro Integrated Rural Development Office.*—There is hereby created a Mindoro Integrated Rural Development Office, hereinafter referred to as the Mindoro Office, which shall be under the direct supervision of the Mindoro Executive Committee for the purpose of coordinating the implementation of the project by the implementing departments and agencies at the national and provincial levels. The Mindoro Office shall have its principal office in Metropolitan Manila.

The Mindoro Office shall be headed by a Project Director who shall maintain a technical and management staff to assist him in the performance of his duties and

responsibilities including assessing the agro-economic aspects of the Project. The Project shall also establish provincial offices in the Mindoro provinces for the effective management of the Project at the provincial level.

**SEC. 6. *Appointment, Tenure of Office, Qualifications and Compensation of the Project Director.***—The Project Director of the Mindoro Office shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.

He shall serve until such time as the Mindoro Office is dissolved, unless sooner removed from office for cause by the Executive Committee.

The appointee to the position of Project Director shall possess the following qualifications:

- a. A natural-born citizen of the Philippines;
- b. At least thirty (30) years of age; and
- c. A proven record of executive competence in the field of public administration and/or infrastructure projects or in the management of agricultural, industrial or commercial enterprises.

The annual compensation and allowances of the Project Director shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.

**SEC 7. *Powers and Functions of the Project Director.***—The Project Director of the Mindoro Office shall exercise the following powers and functions:

- a. Directly coordinate the activities of all implementing departments and agencies in the planning and implementation of the projects;
- b. Monitor and evaluate the progress and effects of project execution by the implementing departments and agencies;
- c. Submit periodic financial and work accomplishment reports relating to project implementation to the Executive Committee;
- d. Approve and consolidate requests for budget releases for the projects by the implementing departments and agencies and forward the same to the Budget Commission for releases of funds;
- e. Keep and maintain records of all equipment and services procured under the Project and collect and consolidate all project accounts maintained by the implementing departments and agencies;
- f. Submit audited project accounts containing the auditor's opinion to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development within four (4) months at the close of each fiscal year;
- g. Insure that all conditions contained in the loan agreement executed between the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the Philippine Government are faithfully complied with by all concerned with the implementation of the projects;
- h. Organize, appoint, remove and/or discipline the personnel of its technical and management staff;
- i. Adopt and promulgate administrative rules and procedures for the internal management of the Mindoro Office and its provincial project offices;
- j. Call upon any department, bureau, office, agency, instrumentality or any political subdivision of the Government to assist in the planning and implementation of the Project;
- k. Apply for, receive and accept grants and donations of funds, equipment, materials and services needed by the Project from sources within and outside