



FERTILIZER
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HIGHLIGHTS

The FPA is true to its mandate of making available fertilizer and pesticide for use of farmers in food production to achieve the goal of food sufficiency. For the year 2011, we have accomplished the following to support the goals of the agriculture sector.





Product Registration

At present, there are new fertilizer and pesticide products available in the market for the use of farmers. There were 1,630 fertilizer / pesticide products / active ingredients registered. For fertilizer, there were 454 registered out of the 510 targets for the year with 89% accomplishment. Out of the 454 registered fertilizer products, 256 fertilizers were new applications received and approved, 198 fertilizer application renewals registered. For pesticides, there were 1,176 applications registered over 863 targeted with 136% accomplishment. To date, there were 30 bio-fertilizers and 4 bio-pesticides registered.

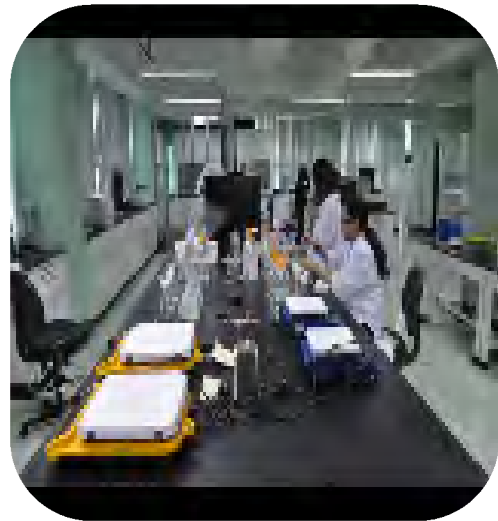




Fertilizer/Pesticide Licensing

There were 2,841 licenses issued to fertilizer and pesticide handlers, namely: exporters, importers, indentors, manufacturers, distributors, suppliers, wholesalers, dealers, fertilizer repackers, commercial applicators and dealers/retailers of fertilizer/pesticide products.

With the operationalization of FPA fertilizer laboratory for quality monitoring, FPA ensures the farmers and the general public that fertilizer products in the market are of good quality and conformed with the guaranteed analysis registered by the manufacturers. At the end of 2011, there were 395 fertilizer samples analyzed/approved for product registration and monitoring purposes.



The FPA has addressed also the issue on delayed processing through the delegation of authority in the renewal of permits and licenses to the different FPA Regional Offices which streamlined the procedures and processes in their issuance. For the year 2012, there were 1,472 license renewed and approved in the regional level.



Trainings Conducted/Coordinated

There were 64 trainings for accreditation that we coordinated/conducted, as follows:

Type of Trainings	Number Conducted/Coordinated	Number of Participants		TOTAL
		Male	Female	
Accredited Safety Dispenser (ASD)	45	987	770	1,757
Accredited Responsible Care Officer (ARCO)	2	113	37	150
ARCO - Symposium	1	14	4	18
Certified Pesticide Applicator (CPA)				
Exterminator – (Agric'l.)	1	63	6	69
Fumigator	2	85	21	106
CPA - Symposium				
Exterminator – (Agric'l.)	1	203	27	230
Fumigator	2	158	45	203
Accredited Researcher	1	6	7	13
Symposium-Accredited Researcher	1	10	13	23
GAP for mango	7	226	51	277
Warehouseman	1	38	12	50
TOTAL	64	1,903	993	2,896



There were 2,107 accreditation cards/certificates approved/issued for the year, broken down as follows:

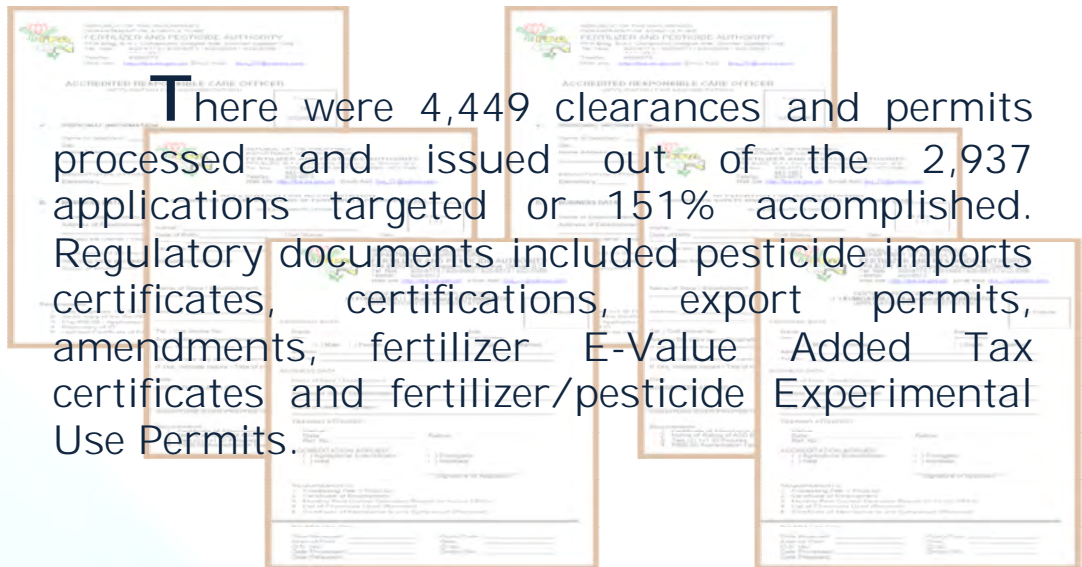
Category	Accreditation cards issued
Accredited Safety Dispenser	1,565
Accredited Responsible Care Officer	154
Certified Pesticide Applicators	
Exterminator (<i>agricultural</i>)	135
Fumigator	167
Accredited Researcher	
Fertilizer	33
Pesticide	53
TOTAL	2,107

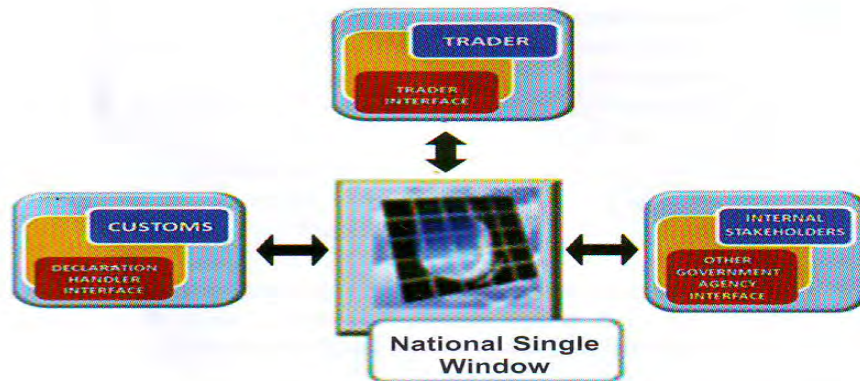




Regulatory Documents Issued

There were 4,449 clearances and permits processed and issued out of the 2,937 applications targeted or 151% accomplished. Regulatory documents included pesticide imports certificates, certifications, export permits, amendments, fertilizer E-Value Added Tax certificates and fertilizer/pesticide Experimental Use Permits.





National Single Window Environment

The National Single Window (NSW) is a computerized internet-based system that allows parties involved in trade to lodge information and documents with a single entry point to fulfill all import and export regulatory requirements. It will shorten the processing of import and export regulatory documentation. It is a Philippine government project towards ASEAN integration led by the Bureau of Customs and developed and managed by the Project Consultant, Crown Agent Oversea Governments and Administration, Limited. There are forty (40) government agencies involved and will be linked in the NSW system in which FPA is included. The NSW system is on-line and accessible to FPA agency users. Through this application and approval for the Certificate of Authority to Import Pesticide (CAIP) and Value Added Tax (VAT) Exemption Certificate for fertilizer importation can be done on-line. It is actively used by the FPA clients in submitting on-line application for pesticide importation, VAT Exemption Certificate. This has already facilitated procedures in importation. There were 287 applications for CAIP and VAT approved for the year. However, the on-line payment is still in the pipeline.



Field Operations

The enforcement of FPA regulatory powers pursuant to P.D. 1144 has been strictly implemented. The FPA field personnel undertook monitoring activities. There were 16,187 inspection visits conducted to fertilizer and pesticide handlers. There were 299 Pest Control Operators (PCOs) and 210 establishments using pesticide impregnated plastics that were monitored and inspected.



In FPA's effort to get rid the market of banned, fake, adulterated and underweight fertilizers, 421 clean-up drives were conducted in the regions and provinces. Because of these, there were 284 establishments found to have violated FPA rules and regulations.

Ninety (90) establishments of whom were given the corresponding "Stop Sale, Stop Use, Stop Move Order (SUMs) and were imposed appropriate sanctions.





Field

In line with the occupational health and safety monitoring on fertilizer and pesticide production, there were four (4) fertilizer and twenty eight (28) pesticide plants visited as requirement for pre licensing/registration and post registration/licensing.

Retail prices of fertilizer and pesticide products were continuously monitored by the FPA regional and provincial officers and were posted in the FPA website. The said data are used as reference by the general public, investors and banks.





National Methyl Bromide Phase-Out Strategy Project

The National Methyl Bromide Phase-out Strategy Project has already achieved at the end of 2009 its zero consumption goal of phasing-out Methyl Bromide, non quarantine pre-shipment use. To sustain the monitoring activities, the project was extended until June 2010. The monitoring system on consumption of Methyl Bromide for Quarantine Pre-Shipment (QPS) use has been institutionalized through the issuance of the Department of Agriculture of Administrative Order No. 17 last August 2010. The said A.O. provides the adoption of the logbook system in monitoring the usage of Methyl Bromide. In 2011, the logbook system has been utilized for monitoring and served as basis for issuance of permit to purchase of methyl bromide for QPS.

FPA has issued Memorandum No. 01 dated January 14, 2011 *"Amendment to the Consolidated Guidelines for Handlers of Methyl Bromide in the Implementation of Quantitative Pre-Shipment (QPS) Use of Methyl Bromide"*, particularly on the penalties for violators.



International Cooperation/ Commitment



As a partner of the of the JICA Technical Assistance Program for the Cambodian Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry (MAFF), FPA designed and conducted a training program on Fertilizer and Pesticide Regulation attended by MAFF Officials.



There were three batches of MAFF officials and staff who attended the training program at FPA. The first batch of delegates arrived in 2010.





FPA closely collaborated with various government agencies/programs/committees and private fertilizer and pesticide associations such as:

- ✚ DA-MANCOM
- ✚ DA Consumerwatch
- ✚ Agriculture and Fishery Extension Network (AFEN)
- ✚ Sub-committees on Rice, Corn, High Value Commodities
- ✚ National Mango Action Team and other NAFC Sub-committees
- ✚ Philippine National Police-National Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee (NALECC-PNP)
- ✚ UNEP Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)
- ✚ Philippine Ozone Desk of the Environmental Management Bureau/DENR
- ✚ Office of the President on Transnational Crime
- ✚ NEDA Council on Sustainable Development
- ✚ World Health Organization (WHO)- International Program on Chemical Safety (IPCS)
- ✚ Committee on Chemical Weapons
- ✚ Global Harmonized System coordinated by the DTI
- ✚ Biotech – DA, UPLB, ISAAA
- ✚ Good Agricultural Practice (GAP) by Bureau of Agricultural & Fishery Product Standards (BAFPS)
- ✚ Manila Bay Clean-up Rehabilitation and Restoration
- ✚ Codex Alimentarius by BAFPS and BPI
- ✚ Sanitary and Phytosanitary by DA Policy
- ✚ Environmental Monitoring Team in the Regions – X, XI, XII
- ✚ Pesticide Industry - Croplife, CPAP, PICMA, PMCPFI, PACPA, PAPFI, PAE
- ✚ Fertilizer Industry - FIAP, IFA, OFERMANA



FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

For the year of 2011, total allotment was P101.1 Million. Total obligations incurred amounting to P95.8 Million. Total appropriation for the year per GAA is P47.3 Million: P24.5 Million for Personal Services and P22.8 Million for Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses.

Operation consisting of industry control and evaluation and enforcement of rules and regulations comprised 77% of the total obligations. Expenses related to general administration and support to operations covered 19% and 4%, respectively.

The agency's income derived from fertilizer/pesticide registration, licensing, fine, laboratory fees, penalties and processing of various endorsements and certifications amounted to P42.248 Million or 128% of P32.943 projected.