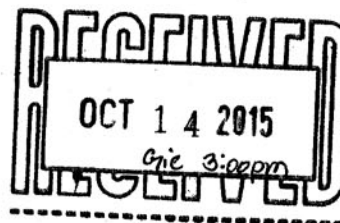




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TO : ALL REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT : SUPPORT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GREAT WOMEN PROJECT 2

Relative to the implementation of the Gender Responsive Action for the Transformation of Women Project 2 (GREAT Women 2) of which DA is a key implementing partner and member of the Project Steering Committee (PSC) together with the Philippine Commission on Women, the Department of Science and Technology, the Department of Science and Technology and the Department of Labor and Employment, all Regional Directors and concerned provincial officials are hereby directed to support the implementation of said project.

To ensure the harmonization and coordination of support for the project and the target women micro-entrepreneurs, you are likewise urged to participate in the creation and operationalization of a regional convergence group (RCG) that is intended to serve as the coordinating mechanism for the purpose. In this regard, please coordinate with your counterpart from the partner agencies mentioned above who have been similarly directed by their respective officials who are part of the PSC. In this regard, please designate a focal person who will coordinate with your counterpart from partner agencies mentioned above and submit the name to PCW.

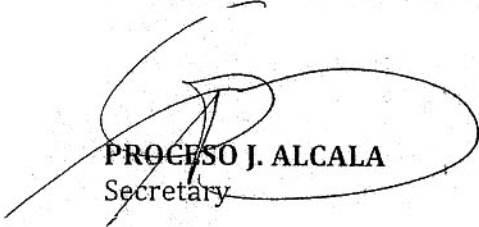
The RCG will be expected to: **a)** identify and profile women micro-entrepreneurs to be assisted by the agency partners under the project; **b)** assist/lead in the conduct of a gender responsive value chain analysis involving all stakeholders to identify the needs of WMEs; **c)** prepare an action plan for the interventions which will be incorporated in the work plans of concerned national agency partners for purposes of fund allocation and downloading; **d)** facilitate required interventions for the WMEs and monitor the same; and **e)** coordinate with the central office project implementing team who are also members of the National Convergence Group (NCG) on matters related to the project. It is understood that all the concerned partner agencies will agree on how to work together for the tasks identified herein.



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For the guidance of all concerned.


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