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ABOUT THE COVER



"The possibilities could be endless to level up Philippine Agriculture."

- DA Secretary Dr. William D. Dar

The cover illustrates the "New Thinking for Agriculture" where it is built around the eight paradigms for productivity and profitability of farmers and fishers. The eight paradigms are Modernization of agriculture, Industrialization of agriculture, Promotion of exports, Farm consolidation, Roadmap development, Infrastructure development, Higher budget and investments for agriculture, and Legislative support. DA – Caraga gears up and rallies behind the goal to make the farmers and fishers prosperous. Hence, DA – Caraga has continuously steer the Agricultural sector of the region towards greater heights. Together, we can have "Masaganang Ani, Mataas na Kita."

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Without farmers, there will be no food. There is no future without agriculture.



The year 2019 was a challenge to both the department and the agriculture-sector of the region. Major setbacks and downfalls were experienced. However, agriculture is said to be the most resilient profession and industry in the world. It is dynamic and ever changing. It changes for the better and it adapts to whatever is new.

The Department of Agriculture – Caraga had evolved and adapted to the ever changing climate and situations of the region. We have changed for the better and we have prepared to face the changes.

This year, just like farming, we have started the footing in the right pace and in the right step. Production performance in most of our banner programs had increased as compared to the first quarter of the previous year. This is desirable and we hoped for this to continue. However, just like farming, setbacks and challenges came as you continue the production. This is the same as the production performance of the banner programs.

But, Agriculture as an art, a business, and a science, we had to change up and come up with a better plan and solutions in every setback and challenge that the agency had encountered. Fortunately, with competent and efficient brains of the department, we had come up with solutions to ease agricultural problems.

We are happy to help the countryside and the agricultural sector. We have implemented various programs for the agricultural sector. We are very proud that the Department of Agriculture has distributed various farm interventions and machineries.

The Department of Agriculture – Caraga stood firm to the challenge of the Department secretary which is “Masagang Ani, Mataas na kita”. Through farm interventions and infrastructure development, the department helped farmers reduce their production costs and post-harvest losses.

We have anchored our farm interventions and support services to the eight paradigms of agricultural development placed by the DA Secretary Dr. William Dar. With the eight paradigms, we had come up with new thinkings in agricultural improvement. Initiatives of DA-Caraga were taken outside the box to deliver better, advance, and timely interventions to the farmers and farmer associations in the region.

DA-Caraga had continuously and will continue to help and give priority to the needs of our farmers. Without our farmers, we will have nothing to eat. They are our future. With the programs implemented, infrastructures built, and farm interventions given, I believe that Agriculture in Caraga Region will continue to grow and will continue to be fruitful.

In fact, some cities and municipalities in Caraga were acknowledged even at the national level. This means that Agriculture in Caraga is very promising. This year was a challenge but we have overcome this through DA – Caraga’s initiative and the cooperation of our partnered LGUs, farmers, and farmer’s association.

This year, we touched the younger generation and challenged them to pursue agriculture. We gave skills enhancement to our farmers, farmer’s association, and agricultural technicians. We have launched the poverty alleviation program of the department. We will continue in our endeavors to everything in the agriculture-sector.

We plan for the future and we want to have it better. The year 2019 was rough, but we can humbly say that we have served our purpose. We have helped and assisted the agricultural sector and gave, to the very best of our capacity, a smooth production.

We say “Larga Caraga, Larga!”

Together we will make it happen. We have started from the bottom. We have nothing to go but up. We will because we can!



PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE PALAY

Palay Production CY 2018-2019



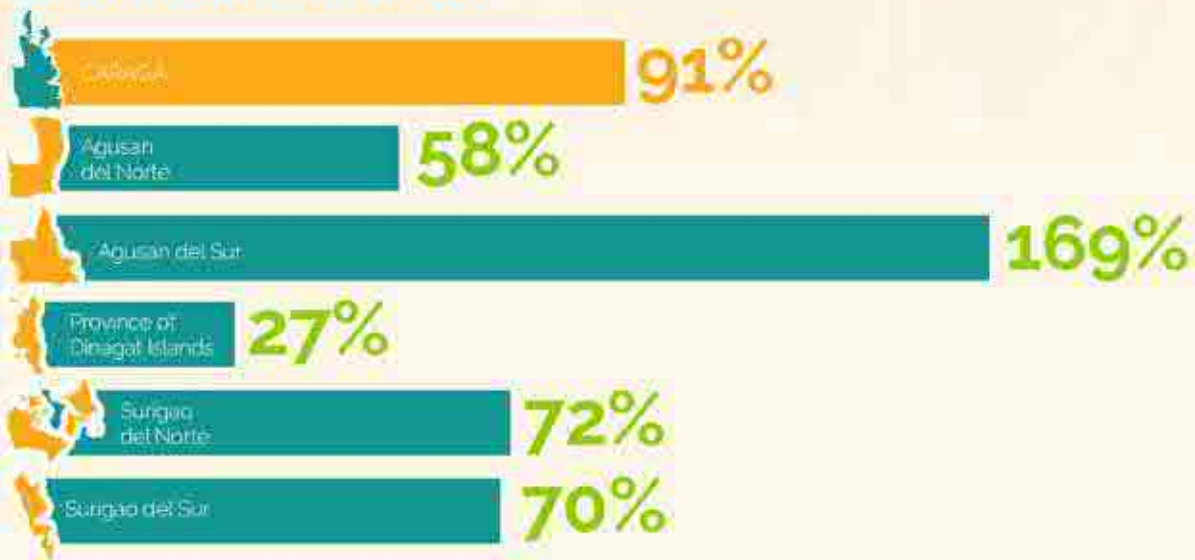
Palay production decreased by 13.5% or 60,700.89 metric tons in 2019 over 2018 performance. Factors affecting the decrease in the production both for rainfed and irrigated was due to the mild El Niño that affected vast portion of rice areas in the region with a total of 2,593 hectares declared as totally damaged and 3,120 hectares were partially damaged. Also, the region experienced two Tropical Depressions Amang and Chedeng and a tail end of cold front which pulled down the annual performance. Further, damaged irrigation systems also cause the decline of the production for irrigated farm areas. Almost 2,000 hectares were not planted particularly in Trento, Agusan del Sur due to the rehabilitation of the Manat National Irrigation System (NIS). Other irrigation rehabilitation was conducted on various

parts of the region such as Ampayon Diversion Dam in Butuan City, Tabon Diversion Dam in Hinatuan SDS, and Guitas Small Water Impounding System Project (SWIP) in Loreto, ADS.

To mitigate the effect of dry spell, farmers opted to plant other crops to sustain their income like corn and other high value crops.



CY 2019 SUFFICIENCY LEVEL



★ 1st Regional Rice Congress was conducted and attended by almost 300 participants to strengthen the Department's partnership with every rice industry players in the region with a common mission to bring sufficient food in every table.

DINAGAT ISLANDS

Production	6,052 _{MT}
Area	2,563 _{HA}
Yield	2.36 _{MT/HA}

SURIGAO DEL NORTE

Production	67,010 _{MT}
Area	20,440 _{HA}
Yield	3.28 _{MT/HA}

AGUSAN DEL NORTE

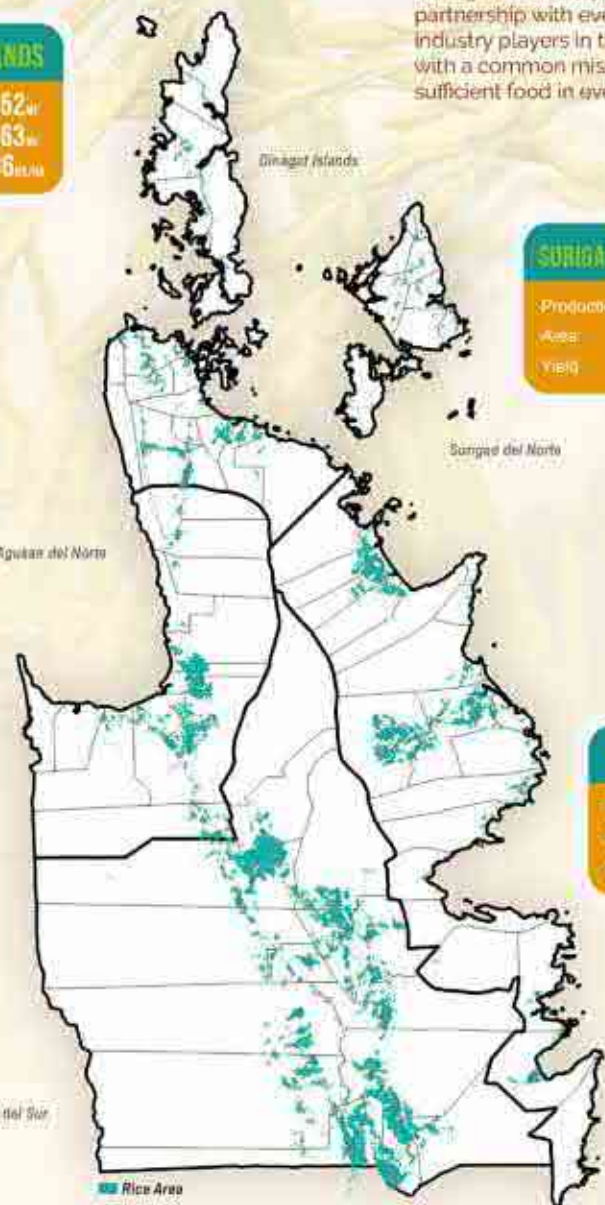
Production	78,867 _{MT}
Area	22,320 _{HA}
Yield	3.53 _{MT/HA}

SURIGAO DEL SUR

Production	83,316 _{MT}
Area	28,211 _{HA}
Yield	2.95 _{MT/HA}

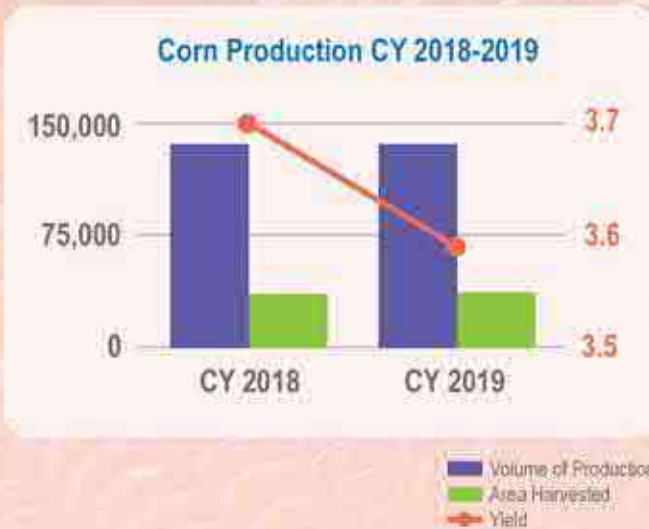
AGUSAN DEL SUR

Production	214,124 _{MT}
Area	71,833 _{HA}
Yield	2.98 _{MT/HA}



★ There are 233 accredited private seed growers in the region with a total accredited area of 1,569 hectares but only 85 are active growers which produces 42,397 bags from their 742 hectares last year. That's only 45% compared to the region's seed requirement of about 93,818 bags of certified seeds including seed reserve.

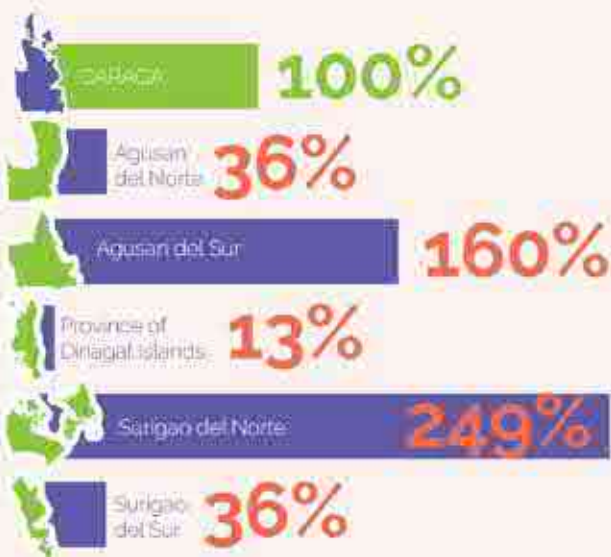
PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE CORN



For 2019, corn production sustains its gains from 2018 increasing by 0.07 percent. The minor growth is attributed to the increase in area harvested which has an additional of 1,118 hectare or 3 percent increment but decreased in output per hectare with 3.59 metric tons, lower by 2.88 percent over the previous year's average yield. This is due to the prolonged drought experienced by the region.



CY 2019 SUFFICIENCY LEVEL (WHITE CORN)



CY 2019 SUFFICIENCY LEVEL (YELLOW CORN)



BINDIGAT ISLANDS

Production: 286_{MT}
 Area: 119_{HA}
 Yield: 2.41_{MT/HA}

★ The region has seven (7) certified GAP farm for Corn.

★ Caraga has the highest yield among the Mindanao regions for the past three (3) years and performed better than the national average of 3.17 metric tons per hectare.

SURIGAO DEL NORTE

Production: 1,550_{MT}
 Area: 772_{HA}
 Yield: 2.01_{MT/HA}

AGUSAN DEL NORTE

Production: 8,217_{MT}
 Area: 2,779_{HA}
 Yield: 3.32_{MT/HA}

★ For seven consecutive years, Caraga Region competed and emerged victorious in the search for National Quality Corn Achievers' Awards

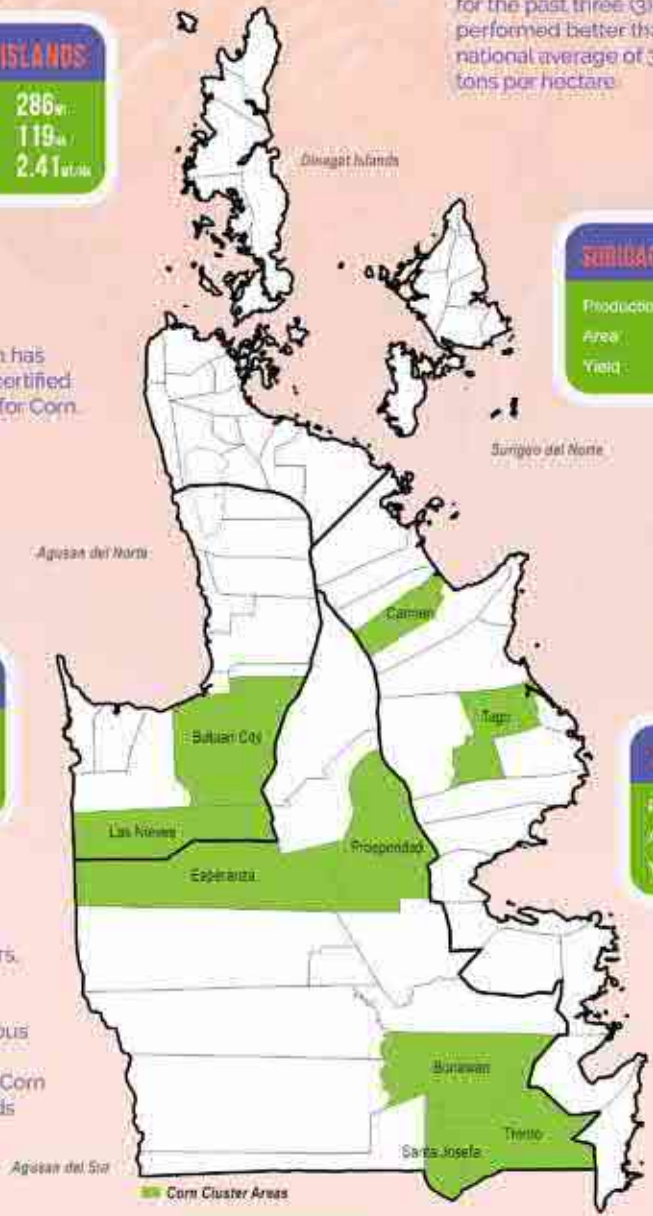
SURIGAO DEL SUR

Production: 11,810_{MT}
 Area: 4,848_{HA}
 Yield: 2.44_{MT/HA}

AGUSAN DEL SUR

Production: 112,863_{MT}
 Area: 29,299_{HA}
 Yield: 3.85_{MT/HA}

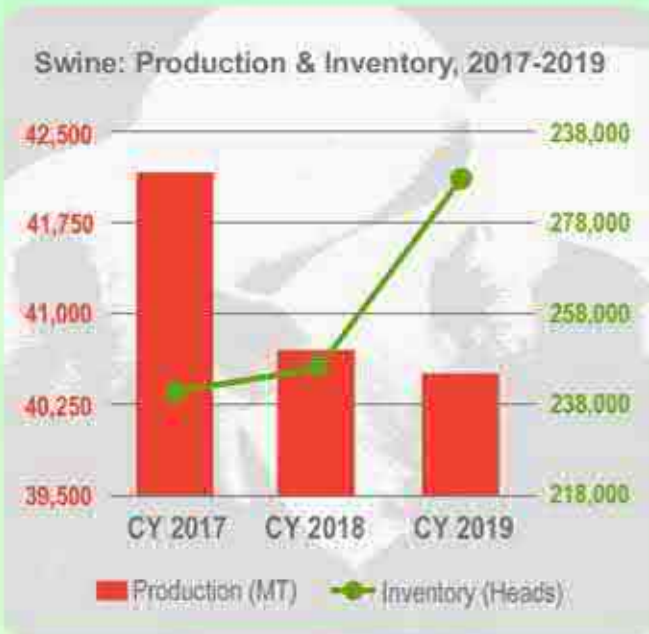
★ 1st Corn Derby in the region was conducted to showcase the hybrid yellow corn seed varieties with appropriate package of technology developed by the companies and is expected to boost corn production in the region with more farmers becoming aware on the benefits of using high yielding seed varieties



■ Corn Cluster Areas

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE LIVESTOCK & POULTRY

SWINE



INVENTORY

Swine inventory increased by 4.42% or 10,423 heads in 2019 over 2018 performance. Bulk of the hogs raised and produced in the region are grown in backyard farms which accounted for 93% in 2019 but over the years there is a slow rise of the produce from commercial farms from 5.5% in 2017 to 6.7% share in 2019. Commercial farms inventory grew by 21% in 2019 versus 2018 and Agusan del Sur contributed 48% of the inventory. A significant growth was recorded in Surigao del Sur, Agusan del Sur and Dinagat Islands with 40%, 31% and 22% respectively. Despite of the increase, inventory in Surigao del Norte dropped by 18% and Agusan del Norte by 12%. The main reasons for the decline were the culling of hogs due to the apprehension of raisers on the outbreak of African Swine Fever (ASF) in Luzon and closure of a commercial farm due to environmental problem.

Inventory in backyard farms has an increasing trend with 3.24% increase in 2019. Inventory is more or less evenly distributed to the 4 provinces between 23-25% while Dinagat Islands being the smallest and new province is pegged at 3%.

PRODUCTION

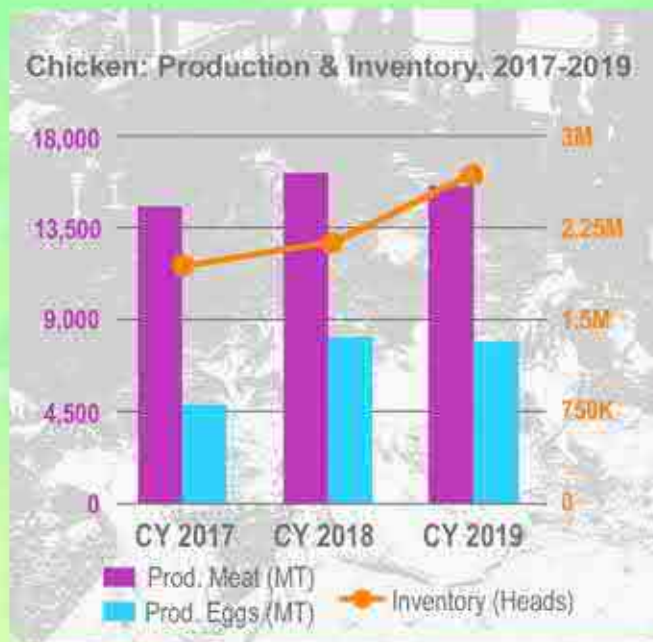
Volume of production decreased by 0.48% from 40,689 metric tons in 2018 to 40,495 metric tons in 2019. Part of the hogs slaughtered in various abattoirs came from traders bringing in livestock from Davao, General Santos City and Bukidnon.

Caraga has maintained its FMD and ASF free status



Swine industry is one of the major economic drivers in the region contributing 12.15% or Php 1.87B in 2019.

CHICKEN



INVENTORY

Chicken inventory for all types constitute 96% of the total poultry inventory of the region. Native chicken accounted for 55% and for layer and broiler 28% and 17%, respectively in 2019. Number of heads increased by 21% and biggest gainer was layer with 64% and broiler 20% while native chicken slightly decreased by .05% on the same year.

For duck inventory for all types, a total of 6,020 heads or 5.4 % were declared as fall off in the total duck industry in 2019. Backyard and commercial farms decreased by 4,468 and 1,552 heads respectively.

PRODUCTION

Chicken comprises 99% of the poultry production in the region. Production decreased by 4.8% or 746 metric tons in CY 2019. All provinces except Dinagat Islands had posted a decline where in the province of Surigao del Norte registered the highest decreased of 36.6% followed by Surigao del Sur by 14.8% and Agusan del Sur 7.1%. The decline is due to the outbreak of Avian Influenza in Luzon which affected the flow of supply of chicken. On the other hand, production of ducks increased significantly by 8.5% or 16 mt, compared to the volume of production in the past two years. Biggest contribution to the region's production was Agusan del Sur sharing 46.4%.

Chicken eggs constitutes 93.2% of the region's poultry eggs. In 2019, 62% of the total production emanates from Agusan del Norte. Agusan del Sur and Surigao del Sur shared 22% and 11% in production, respectively. Production performance slightly declined by 1.96% on the same year. Production of duck eggs also deflated by 10% with Surigao del Norte posted the highest slump from 106 metric tons in 2018 to 25 metric tons in 2019.



Caraga is still free. Despite being identified as the most vulnerable region for Avian Influenza because of its geographical feature which is suitable for stopover of migratory birds.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE LIVESTOCK & POULTRY

Duck: Production & Inventory, 2017-2019



DUCK



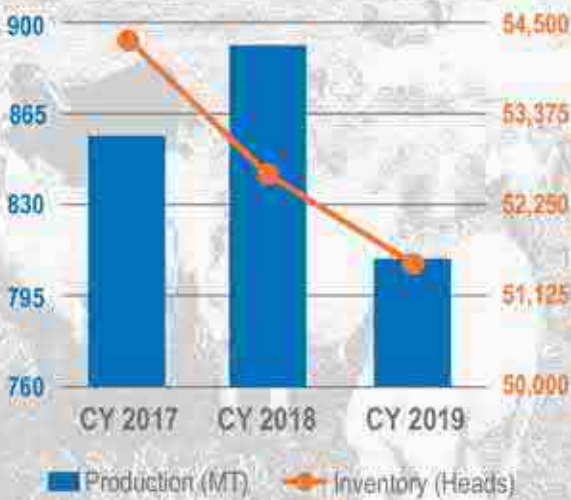
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Goat: Production & Inventory, 2017-2019



GOAT



PRODUCTION

Goat production and inventory declined by 10.0 percent and 2.26 percent respectively in 2019.

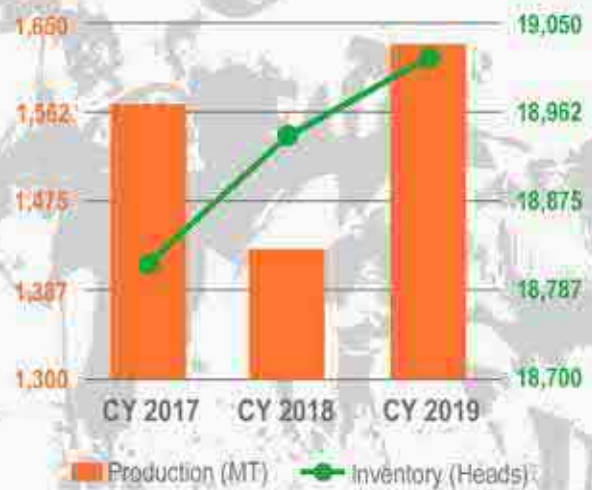
CATTLE

PRODUCTION



Cattle production in the region bounced back and posted a significant increase of 12.3 percent over 2018 deficit. A slight increase was also recorded at 0.4 percent in the inventory. Bulk of the inventory are raised in backyard which accounted for 97.9 percent. Though backyard farms showed a positive trend, the commercial farms decreased by 42.6 percent compared to 2018 performance.

Cattle: Production & Inventory, 2017-2019



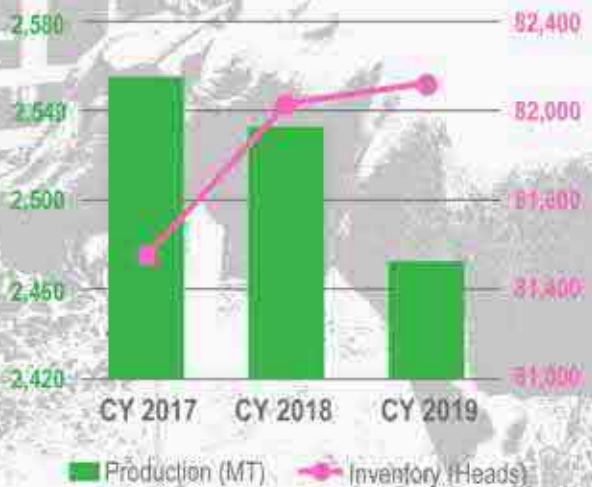
CARABAO

PRODUCTION

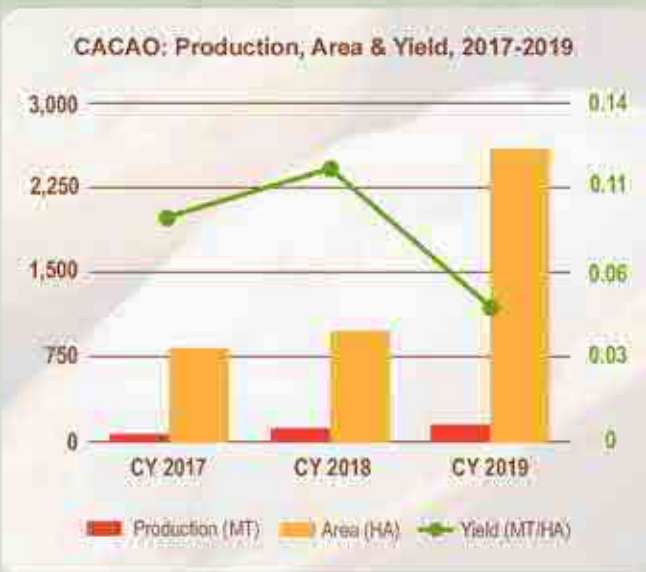
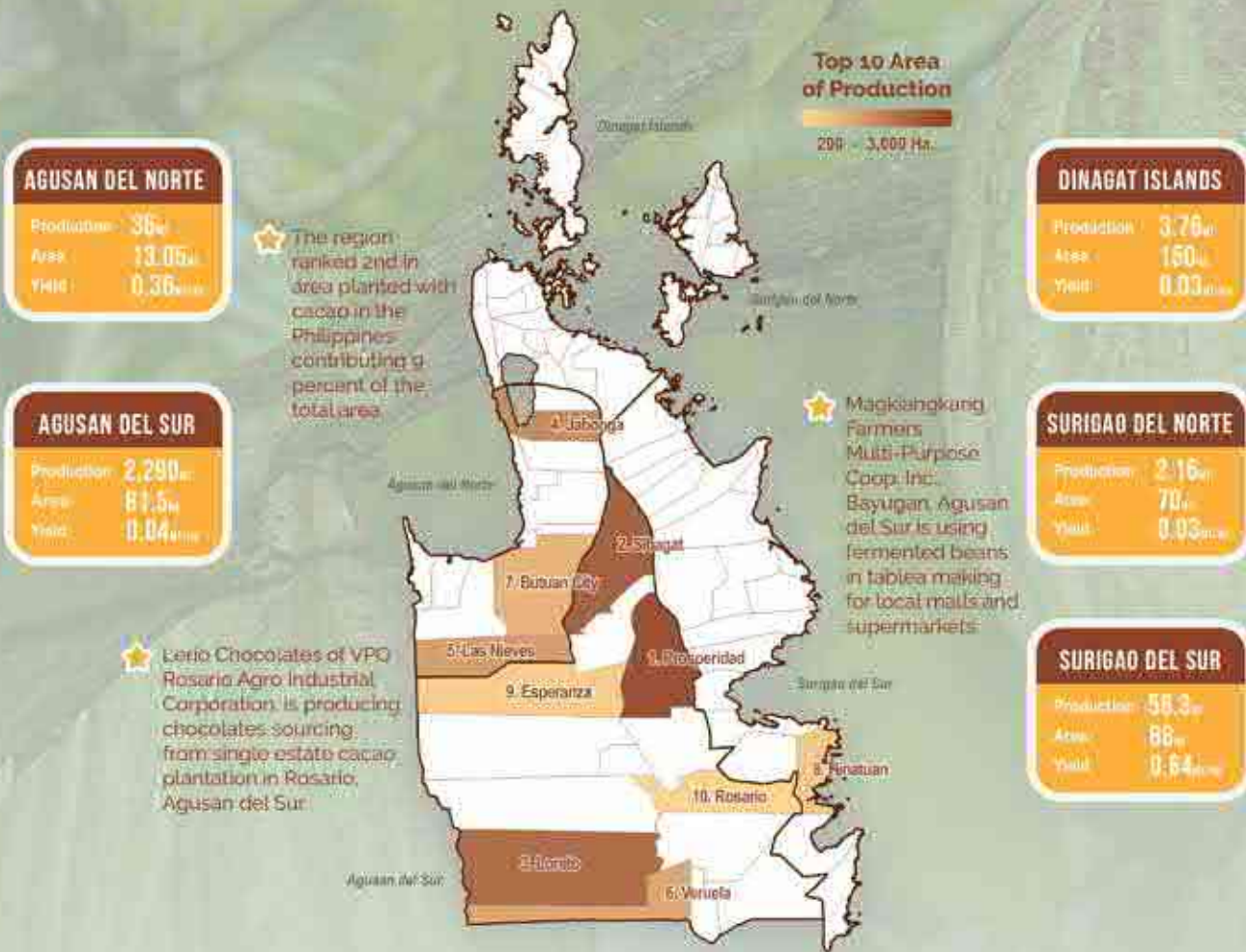


Production of carabao on the other hand, registered a decreasing trend for the last three (3) years while inventory posted a meager increment of 0.10 percent in 2019. The increase in inventory both for cattle and carabao was attributed to the massive campaign in artificial insemination (AI) and stock infusion program of the department.

Carabao: Production & Inventory, 2017-2019



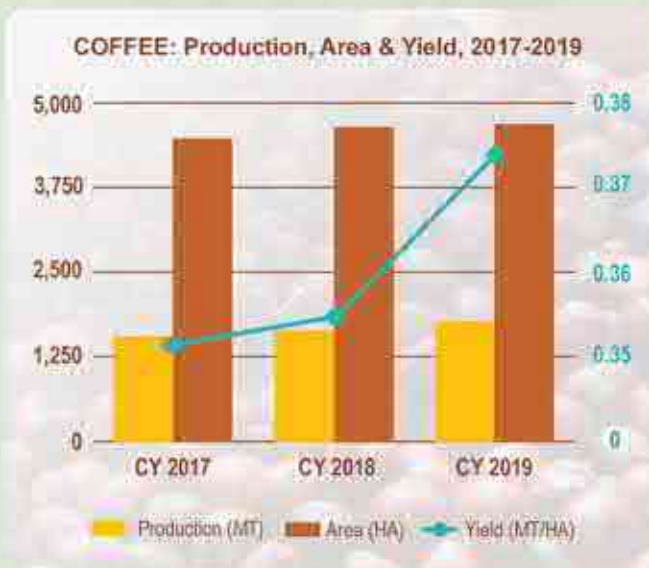
PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE CACAO



Cacao area in the region is increasing for the last 3 years. The region posted the highest increase in cacao area with 62 percent or 1,641 hectares in 2019. It registered a cumulative area of 2,634 hectares with 221,408 bearing trees on the same year. Biggest contribution is Agusan del Sur with 87 percent followed by Dinagat Islands and Surigao del Sur with 6 percent and 3 percent share, respectively. This positive result is due to the interventions provided by the department and other national line agencies.

Volume of production of cacao increased by 49 percent from 80.71 mt in 2017 to 156.78 mt in 2019. The growth is attributed to the increase in area and Agusan del Sur contributed 52% of the total area. Surigao del Sur has the highest growth rate increase of 3.04%. On the other hand, average yield of cacao is 0.60 mt/ha way below the optimum yield of 2 mt/ha understandably since most of the standing crop is still on non-bearing stage.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE COFFEE



Production of coffee in the region bounced back for the last two years after dropping 13.6% in 2017. For 2019, production grew by 6.21% compared in the year 2018. The increase was partly attributed to DA's distribution of coffee planting materials last CY 2017 and below under the HVCD Program. Surigao del Sur is the top producing province contributing 89% of the region's production. Area planted posted a meager increase of 208 hectares for the past 3 years consolidating a total of 4,694 hectares in 2019 with Surigao del Sur sharing 55% while Agusan del Sur and Agusan del Norte contributed 33% and 11% respectively. The region consistently has the highest yield in Mindanao and higher by the national average for the last three years.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE RUBBER

AGUSAN DEL NORTE

Production **997.58_{MT}**
 Area **770_{HA}**
 Yield **1.3_{MT/HA}**

AGUSAN DEL SUR

Production **16,619.77_{MT}**
 Area **11,245_{HA}**
 Yield **1.39_{MT/HA}**

★ Caraga registered the highest annual average price of raw rubber beating regions 9 & 12 who are the leading producers of rubber.

★ Bayugan Rubber Planters Multipurpose Cooperative (BARUPCO) - one of the key players of the rubber industry has been teaching the small farmers on the importance of producing quality cup lump by integrating quality assurance and consolidating to achieve a higher price.

Top 10 Area of Production

800 - 2,800 Ha.



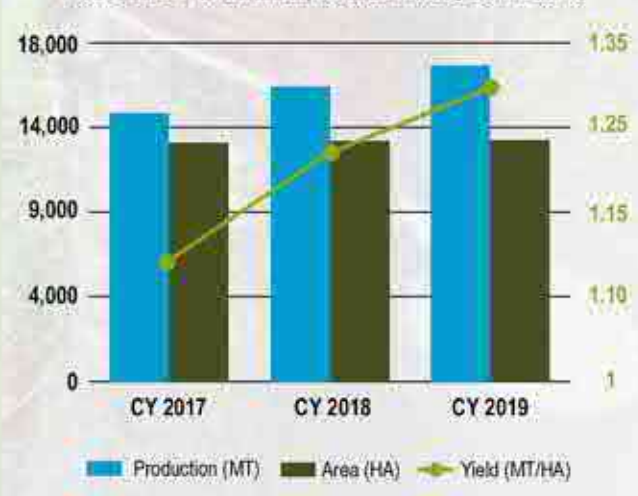
SURIGAO DEL NORTE

Production **2.35_{MT}**
 Area **120_{HA}**
 Yield **0.02_{MT/HA}**

SURIGAO DEL SUR

Production **132.4_{MT}**
 Area **716_{HA}**
 Yield **0.18_{MT/HA}**

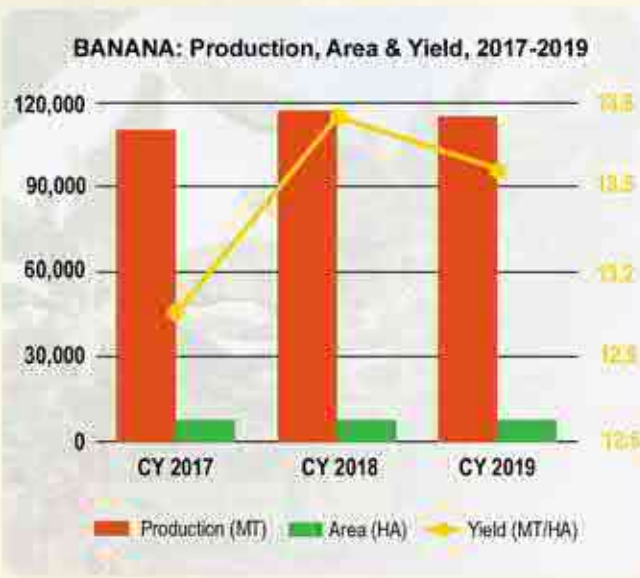
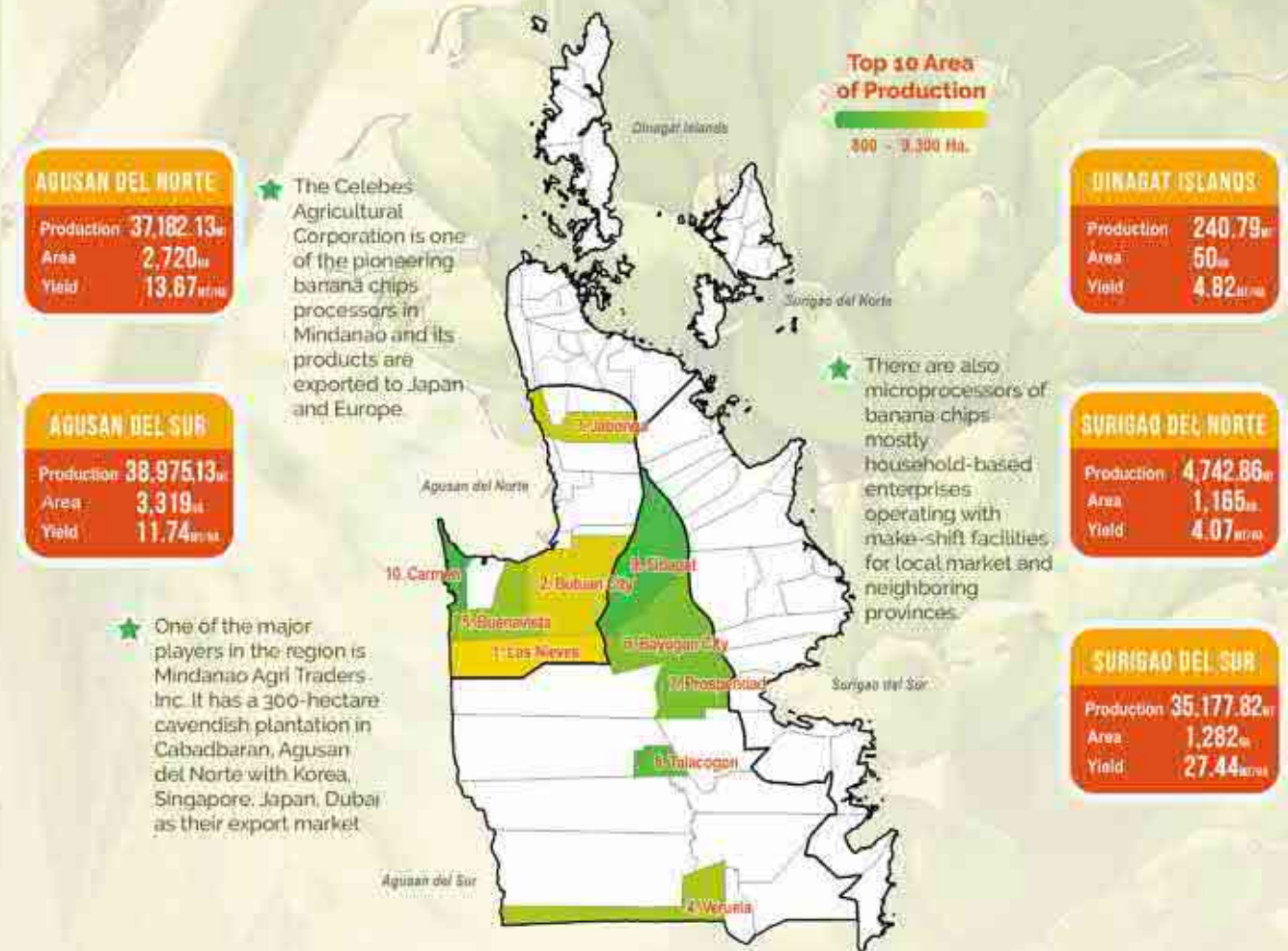
RUBBER: Production, Area & Yield, 2017-2019



Rubber production in the region is increasing with an average growth rate of 8.5% for the last 3 years and contributes 3.9% to the national production. The increase is attributed to the improve tapping management of farmers and the premium price set by one of the leading cooperatives in rubber encouraging growers to produce quality cup lumps. Agusan del Sur is the main rubber producer in the region which accounts to 93% of the total production in the region. Yield is also consistently increasing and it registered highest at 1.3 mt/ha in 2019.

Agusan del Sur covers 88% of the total area planted for rubber in 2019 and the only province that has an increase in area for the last 3 years. To complement the Department's program, the province is implementing its flagship program the Upland Sustainable Agri-forestry Development (USAD) in which rubber is one of their top priority commodities.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE BANANA



Banana production in the region is intermittent for the past 3 years. Production slightly decrease in 2018 but regained with an all-time high in 2019 posting 294,304 mt. Area planted to banana only increased by 2.2 % since 2017. Yield continues to have a positive growth for the past 3 years. The main banana cultivars grown in Caraga region are saba and cavendish sharing 40% and 35% respectively.

Surigao del Sur is topnotch producer with 137,295 mt or 47 % share of the region's production. Agusan del Sur and Agusan del Norte contributed 27% and 24% respectively. Average yield in Surigao del Sur in 2019 was 24.16 mt/ha higher by 3.77 mt/ha compared to the national average of 20.39.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE

MANGO



★ The off season mango production has provided an opportunity for the mango growers to take advantage of high market price during the period where Luzon and Visayas areas are short of supply of mangoes.

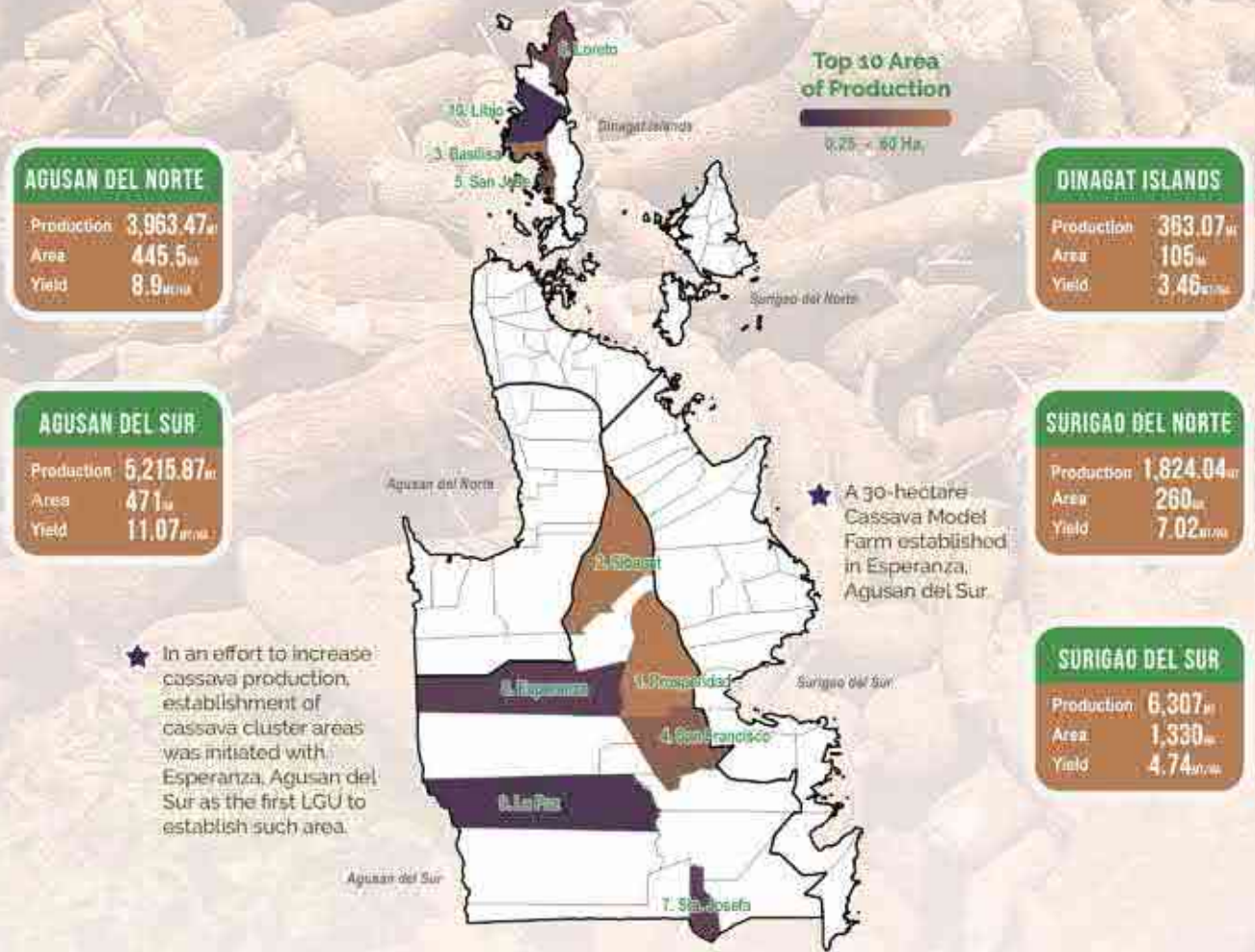
MANGO: Production, Area & Yield, 2017-2019



Mango industry in the region sustains its production with an average increase of 3.4% for the past 3 years, though, area planted recorded a drop of -0.37% on the same period. Despite the decline in area, the region consistently ranked 2nd highest in yield nationwide and in 2019 it registered an average yield of 7.24 mt/ha, higher by 3.28 mt/ha than the national average. The performance of the industry heavily relies on its production of fresh mangoes and the growers continue to adopt the off season mango production to address seasonality and reduce postharvest losses during the peak season.

Agusan del Norte continues to dominate the industry as the biggest producer of fresh mangoes which accounted to 94% of the total production volume of the region. The province posted the highest average yield of 10.53 mt/ha nationwide.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE CASSAVA

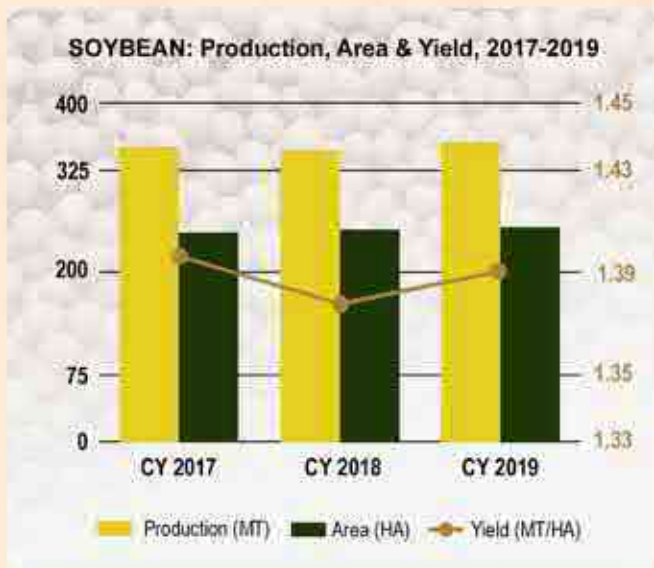
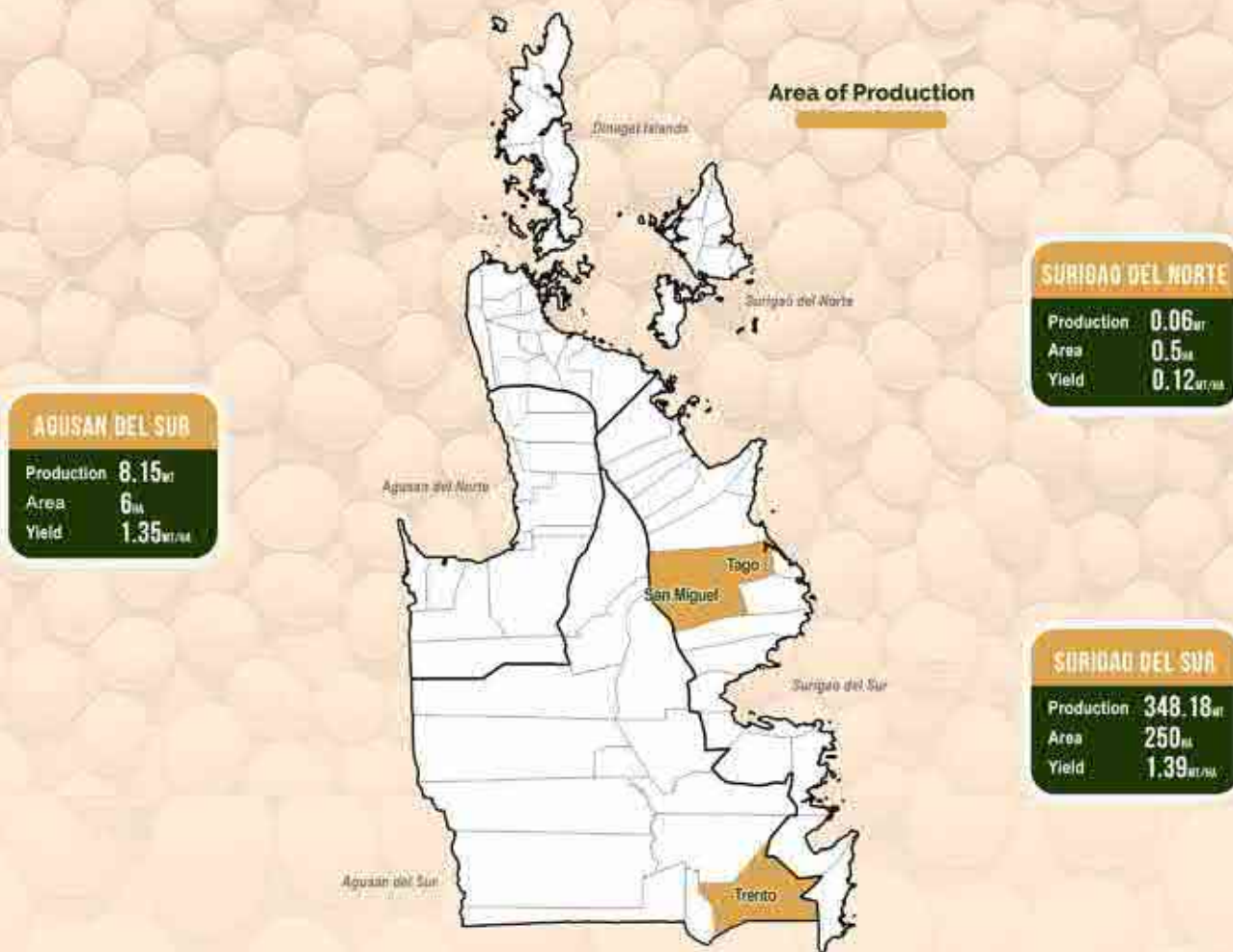


CASSAVA: Production, Area & Yield, 2017-2019



The commodity has a decreasing performance for the last four (4) years as farmers lost interest in growing cassava citing the problems on capitalization, processing and marketing. Cassava production reached 17,673 metric tons in 2019, a reduction by 24% versus 2018 output. Surigao del Sur registered the biggest drop with 53% followed by Agusan del Sur with 13%.

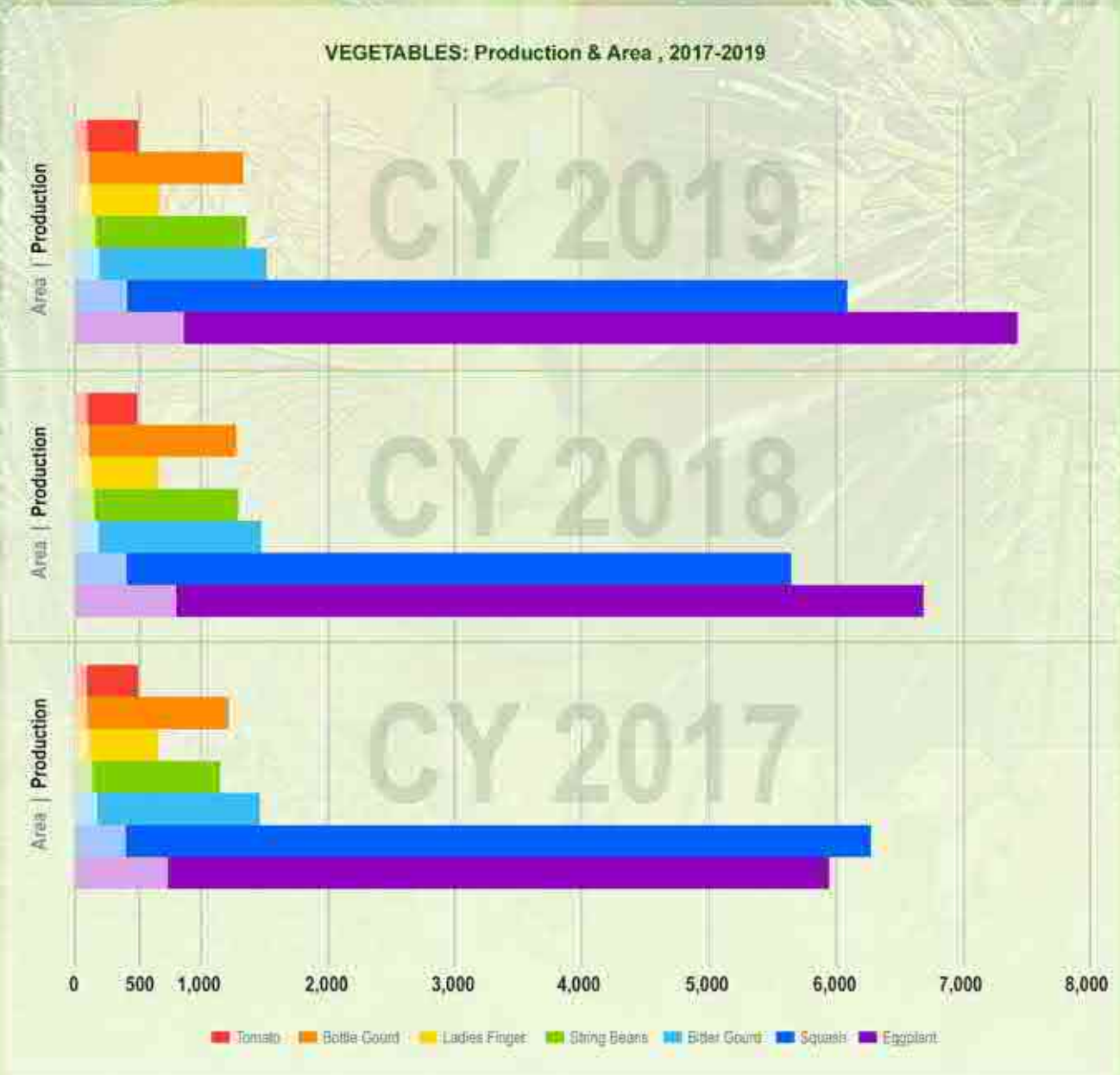
PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE SOYBEAN



Production of soybean in the region is sporadic for the last three years. Production reached 356.39 metric tons in 2019 with a slight increase of 2.29 percent compared to 2018 performance. Soybean production is highly concentrated in the province of Surigao del Sur with 97.7 percent in the region’s production. A small portion of production was also recorded in the province Agusan del Sur.

Area of the commodity is increasing for the last three (3) years with total area of 256.5 hectares in 2019.

PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE VEGETABLES



Vegetable (Pinakbet) production has an increasing trend over the last 3 years. In 2019, the region's output registered at 18,875.86 metric tons or 7.1% increase over 2018 performance. Likewise, area planted posted an increasing growth. Eggplant recorded the highest increase both in production and area contributing 39.3% and 6.4% respectively. Eggplant, squash and bitter gourd posted an incremental yield for the past three years but string beans, ladies finger, bottle gourd and tomato registered a decrease in yield on the same period.

PRODUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES

72,420 KGS

of seeds were distributed to 2,898 individual farmers, 41 farmers' group, PLGUs, and MLGUs to augment production cost and ensure high quality seeds for farmers.

718,019 KGS

718,019 kgs of seeds were procured and distributed as buffer to assist farmers who were affected by drought and mild El Niño that started on March, typhoon, and other environmental adversity.

432,958 PCS

of planting materials were distributed to assure farmers disease-free and superior varieties of fruit trees that projects potential increase in farmers' income.

17,860 KGS

of fertilizers and other soil ameliorants were distributed to improve soil health and increase crop productivity.

82 UNITS

of production facilities were maintained, upgraded, and rehabbed to ensure full function of facilities and optimum performance.

15,565 individual farmers were served by the production support services given by the department hereby benefitting their farming practices.



699 HEADS

of animals were distributed to increase animal inventory, productivity, and improve breeding and genetics. 20 heads of Grand Parent Boars and 13 heads of Parent Stock Gilt were disseminated for stock infusion program throughout the PLGUs of Agusan Del Norte, Agusan Del Sur, Surigao Del Norte and Surigao Del Sur. 12 heads of goat and 90 heads of chicken were also allocated to organic practitioners. Ducklings and chicks were also distributed to clients from the Research and Experiment Stations. 60 individual farmers and 30 farmers' group benefitted in the animal distribution.



3,369 HEADS

of animals were inseminated to increase production efficiency and better genetics. 479 heads of offspring were successfully produced. 145 heads of cattle, 331 heads of buffalo, 13 heads of goat

39,846 DOZENS

of drugs and biologics particularly multivitamins, electrolytes, anti-infectives, analgesics, anesthetics, parasympatholytic, sympathomimetic agents, and vaccines were distributed to the 5 provinces and some municipal LGUs in the region to invigorate animal production, prepare farmers for disease outbreaks, and ensure readily available drugs for animals.

128 UNITS

of farm tools and paraphernalia were given to the farmers so that it could aid them in their farm management practices and support their production. Farm tools are essential for farmers' daily operation and better farm production.

1,045 farmers groups received the support services and their members were able to benefit to the services given.

PRODUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES TESTIMONIALS

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Our association as well as individually have received seeds of different vegetables and fruits. The seeds distributed to our association were a great help to all our members. It helped a lot since seldom of the time when we go to agricultural supply stores, they don't have stocks of vegetables seeds. Personally, it really augmented the burden of looking for seeds. The seeds distributed to our association indeed assisted our members. The interventions received from the Department of Agriculture - Caraga made our association happy and thankful. We are extremely grateful to DA-Caraga especially to the seeds that were given to us because it eased our problem in procuring seeds from the stores. DA-Caraga has made some of our needs available for us that are very essential in our farms. I am grateful for all the support that the Department of Agriculture has given to us.

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JAIME PELORINA

Upper Dimalagan Farmers Association
Butuan City, Agusan del Norte

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We received rice and vegetable seeds from the Department of Agriculture in 2019. The seeds given to us were a great help in our living and farming. The Department of Agriculture - Caraga has continuously given us seeds for our farming endeavors. The seeds were used in both our backyard gardening and in a larger scale of gardening. The seeds given were very helpful because we can plant crops that not only can feed us but can give us income also. The interventions made us free from the food we need to eat and we were able to sell our produce. Some of our harvests were also brought to our food terminal that even created a wider market for our products. With this, all I can say to the Department of Agriculture - Caraga is that you helped us greatly. DA-Caraga has been truly committed to the farmers and the agency has given us interventions that can genuinely make the farmers happy and help the farmers in our farming ventures.

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GREGORIO M. ORIG

Former Chairperson, Esperanza Farmers Marketing Cooperative
Carmen, Surigao del Sur



EXTENSION SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING SERVICES

TECHNO DEMO

To showcase the effect of proper fertilizer application and appropriate technology to attain high quality yield.



36 sites

Fruits (Banana and Mango) and Vegetables



101 sites

Industrial Crops (Cacao, Coffee and Rubber)

Caraga pioneered the development of areas for **Sorghum Production** starting with the establishment of technodemo in Del Monte Lowland and Rainfed Research Station to support the livestock and poultry industry.

MODEL FARM

82 Rice Farmer Associations

established Model Farms with provision of hybrid and inbred seeds along with other yield enhancing inputs



Established a **30-hectare Cassava Model Farm** in support to the cassava cluster areas initiated with Esperanza, Agusan del Sur as the first LGU to establish such area.

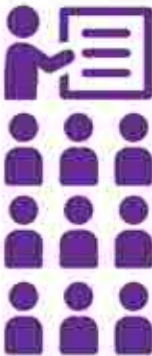
TRAINING AND OTHER TRAINING RELATED EVENTS

Training improve skills on cultural management and product handling and to ensure safe and quality produce in the farm. Training on operation, repair and maintenance of small farm engine.

17 Training of Production and Processing

Established **16 Farmer Field School (FFS)** showcasing rice production and post production technologies with **447 farmer-students** graduates

16 batches on Good Agricultural Practices for Vegetables, Corn and Industrial Crops (Cacao, Coffee and Cassava)



BROADCAST

A **1-5 minuter TV plugs** of various information which is vital in forging support from stakeholders such as the campaign on African Swine Fever, Fall Army Worm, Mechanization and Hybridization were produced and aired at airports and seaports regionwide.

30 kinds of radio plug on various agriculture - related advisories were produced by the joint undertaking of the RAFIS-initiated DA-Caraga Info Network (DACIN).

5 radio programs "Bahandi sa Kaumahan" continually captured the airwaves is maintained by farmcasters in the region and partners from Provincial Agriculture and Veterinary Offices.



PRINT MEDIA

Development of **34,537** of various knowledge products such as technology brochures and Information Education materials benefitted more than **30,000** farmers, LGU partners, and students nationwide.



INFO CAMPAIGN AND ADVOCACY

Agri-Barangayan conducted to engage the barangay captains and committees in agriculture and equip them with information on DA programs and projects and how to avail them so that in turn, they will be able to give their constituents the right information and guidance.



Information Caravan for the Youth and launching of localized advocacy through the **Agri-Galing Info Campaign** and **1st Agri-Galing Competition on Infomercial and Jingle Making Contest** in partnership with the Agriculture and Fishery Division in the DA-Cental Office and Department of Education respectively to encourage participation of the youth to engage in agriculture-related endeavors and become advocates of agriculture causes to encourage the youth to engage in agriculture.



SOCIAL MEDIA

DA maintains its Social Media Page in **facebook** as one potent toll in reaching diverse people with 322 updates where an average of 100 inbox queries in a month are served and has now more than **18,000 subscribers**.

“Caraga INFOcus: Agri hour”

was launched featuring various relevant programs and projects in agriculture in special partnership with the Philippine Information Agency (PIA). The program is live-streamed at the PIA FB page and copies of recorded segments were also aired at Cable stations nationwide.



Successful implementation of the different programs and projects of DA is in close collaboration and coordination with the Local Government Units and the services of 813 provincial and municipal agricultural extension workers (AEWs) and 101 Local Farm Technicians (LFT).

1st Regional Rice Congress - to strengthen the Department's partnership towards every rice industry players in the region with a common mission to bring sufficient food in every table

Livestock Outreach “Bayanihan” Program - Extend services to 35 hard to reach and far flung barangays such as artificial insemination (AI), pregnancy diagnosis, calf drop monitoring, blood sampling for Surra & Caprine Arthritis Encephalitis (CAE), virus surveillance and fecal sampling for gastro-intestinal parasites including vitamin supplementation.

EXTENSION SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING SERVICES

TESTIMONIALS

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The Rice Crop Management Advisory Service Training was one of the very good courses that the Department of Agriculture conducted. It was tiring yet enjoyable because after the lecture, we did hands-on and field works such as, farm lot registration using GPS application (Global Positioning System) and how to make a farmer's Identification Card using RCM Advisory Application as an application of the theory thought. I have gained a lot of knowledge and I found the course very useful, informative and applicable to my field of work as an Agricultural Extension Worker. Also, the speaker was very knowledgeable, especially sir Fil Babanto.

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LEAH B. AMADORON
Agricultural Technologist
Municipal Agriculturist Office, Rosario, Agusan del Sur

“

I am more than thankful for being one of the participants of the said training. As corn and cassava coordinator, I can now impart the knowledge and skills learned to our clients especially in women's sector (RIC). Thus, this could encourage income generating through corn husk utilization. Aside from leaving it decomposed for fertilizer, it can also be used as aesthetics decoration and garlands for invited visitors in times of ceremonies like graduation. It also promotes nutritious homemade foods for the family to minimize eating fast food.

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LYDIA A. APATAN
OIC, MA/ Corn and Cassava Coordinator
Nasipit, Agusan del Norte



MARKET DEVELOPMENT

SERVICES

MARKET DEVELOPMENT

9

Local and International Fairs/Trade Events conducted/assisted to provide farmers and micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) a platform to showcase and promote their products generating a total of **Php 2.13M**

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TienDA ni Ani at Kita/Kadiwa were conducted in 5 provinces and 1 city which opened an opportunity for farmers to sell and promote their products direct to buyers. The initial activity led to the conduct of regular weekly TienDA of the concerned LGUs.



Tabo sa DA conducted every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month to provide venue for the local farmers to have an outlet for their produced.

7

market matching activities were conducted in support to the region's producers and processors.

Forged a supplier contract/agreements

SM City Butuan



JIDA Aqua Resources (Bottled Bangus)
Magkiangkang Multi-Purpose Cooperative (Tablea)
ERMIX (Mangosteen Tea)

Pick and Packer



Caraga Vegetable Grower Network, Inc.
(CARVEGROWN) (Vegetables)

On-going negotiation

SM City Butuan



Sumilihon-Taguibo Farmers Association (Banana)
Ragas Farm (Fruits and Vegetables)

Casiklan Wheels
Farmers Association, Inc.



Km7 Multi-Purpose Cooperative (Coffee)

One-Stop-Shop Agribusiness Center (OSAC) was constructed to make local agribusiness products available to consumers and customers and served as an information center for agribusiness matters in the region.



AGRIBUSINESS PROMOTION

Through the investment forum



Training on investment concept generation and packaging

7 investment concepts of priority commodities were prepared for potential investors.



AGRIBUSINESS INDUSTRY SUPPORT



Monitoring of prices of agri-fishery products were regularly conducted in major public market places to provide real time prices and disseminated through DA-Caraga Radio Program.



Trading posts/centers and food terminals monitored on their progress and to address pressing issues and problems.



3 Entrepreneurial Trainings conducted to capacitate and strengthen local enterprises in the region.

MARKET DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TESTIMONIALS

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When I started farming two years ago, I was lucky enough to engage in DA Activities. Also, when I joined ASPIRE, I already had a product and the label of my value-added product was enhanced further. I can really say that this activity is a big help for us, newbies, where our market and linkage to buyers and agencies are still not very strong. Through this, we can gradually reach out to our buyers and consumers. I am extremely grateful to the Department of Agriculture – Caraga for their commitment to us.

”



BLEZEL B. BALMOCENA
Owner, Zels Dragon Fruit Orchard
Bancasi, Butuan City, Agusan del Norte

“

I applied the knowledge that I gained from the ASPIRE training that I attended. Farming is good but it is much better if we are going to process the raw material that we have to add value to our product to increase our income. I am working hard as I responded to the efforts of DA-ASPIRE. We are sincerely grateful to the Department of Agriculture – Caraga.

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EMELIO G. AMERICA
Owner, Ka Tribu Coffee
Tandag, Surigao del Sur



RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

DA-IRRI COLLABORATIVE R&D PROJECTS

Rice R&D

Accelerating the development & adoption of Next Generation rice varieties for the major ecosystems in the Philippines

Based on the results of the study the Participatory Varietal Selection, the top performing varieties cutting across sites except for saline ecosystem that can be used by the rice farmers in the region were identified.



Irrigated Lowland Ecosystem		Rainfed Ecosystem for drought condition (mt/ha.)	Saline Ecosystem* (mt/ha.)
Inbred Rice Varieties (mt/ha.)	Hybrid Rice Varieties (mt/ha.)		
1. NSIC Rc400 - 4.44	1. NSIC Rc380H - 5.02	1. NSIC Rc222 - 4.97	1. NSIC Rc122 - 5.80
2. NSIC Rc508 - 4.37	2. NSIC Rc432H - 5.02	2. NSIC Rc192 - 4.63	2. NSIC Rc400 - 4.86
3. NSIC Rc226 - 4.31	3. NSIC Rc408H - 4.94	3. NSIC Rc428 - 4.19	3. NSIC Rc462 - 4.77
4. NSIC Rc216 - 4.25	4. NSIC Rc490H - 4.86	4. NSIC Rc27 - 3.84	4. NSIC Rc468 - 4.69
5. NSIC Rc510 - 4.19	5. NSIC Rc454H - 4.80	5. NSIC Rc472 - 3.68	5. NSIC Rc466 - 4.10
6. NSIC Rc238 - 4.18		6. NSIC Rc430 - 3.52	6. NSIC Rc470 - 3.95
7. NSIC Rc442 - 4.78		7. NSIC Rc476 - 3.30	7. NSIC Rc182 - 3.75
8. NSIC Rc354 - 4.12			8. NSIC Rc464 - 3.62
9. NSIC Rc222 - 3.87			

* Trials conducted in the municipalities of Gigaquit, SDN and Lianga, SDS

Pest Risk Identification and Management Surveillance for Early Warning System

Through this system, it will identify the risk factors of the pest outbreaks; map potential outbreaks risks and formulate integrated pest management strategies

Among the notable tiller injuries, deadheart caused by white stem borer was slightly high at 12.12% in April in the region. Farmers were advised to apply *trichogramma japonicum*.

During wet season, data showed that rice black bug was most dominant on the months of August, October and November with 0.01% and 0.10% average count per hill. It was recommended for farmers to use metarhizium to combat the pest.

Philippine Rice Information System

An operational system for rice monitoring to support decision making towards rice production

On-going data collection and verification through satellite images and ground trotting for data accuracy to establish a nationwide information system on rice that provide information on areas and yield at a particular location and time and information factors that are affecting the yield.

Rice Crop Manager

A comprehensive support tool for increasing yields and income of farmers

Under RCM Techno Demo, initial result showed that RCM fertilizer recommendation has a better yield of 5.12 metric ton/hectare than using farmer's field practice which only 4.40 metric ton/hectare across sites using the NSIC Rc400 rice variety.

SUPPORT TO FOOD SUFFICIENCY

Mushroom Project (Trento RES and Del Monte LRRS)

3 species adaptive to local condition: White, Pink and Yellow Oysters



NCECCO, Esperanza, and Bitan-agan Women's Association, San Francisco in Agusan del Sur were adopters of the products developed by 2 stations, namely: mushroom polvoron, mushroom empanada and mushroom chili sauce.

OTHER REGIONAL COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

RICE

6 ON-GOING STUDIES

CPAR Rice - based Integrated Farming System

- 29 Farmer - Cooperators (FCs) adopted the NSIC Rc400 rice variety for irrigated ecosystem based on the Participatory Varietal Selection of the Next Gen project following the RCM fertilizer nutrient recommendation. Using these technologies, FCs obtained an average yield of 4.11 metric ton/hectare

Impact Assessment of Farmers Field School (FFS)

- Based on initial findings, average yield of Agusan Del Norte respondents increased by an average of 0.71t/ha after FFS implementation. Average yield of respondents from Agusan Del Sur also increased by 0.45t/ha but is relatively lower than that of ADN. Considering other factors constant (ceteris paribus) we can initially infer that if farmers will adopt the FFS-recommended technologies, their yield will definitely improve and so with their net income. On average, nominal gross margin or the nominal net income of respondents increased by as much as P24,000/ha after project implementation

CORN

3 ON-GOING STUDIES

Conservation and management of Philippine traditional corn germplasm

- 210 accession were collected all over the region and 130 of these were subjected to seed increase and characterization through Shannon-Weaver Diversity Index (SSDWI) and Cluster Analysis.

CASSAVA

5 ON-GOING STUDIES

Initial finding on yield performance of Cassava varieties intercrop with cash crops

- Cassava/Soybean: highest mean yield 18.78 metric ton/hectare; Net Income - Php 67,689.00
- Cassava/Corn: mean yield 16.90 metric ton/hectare; Net Income - Php 45,329.00
- Cassava monocropping: lowest mean yield and income

SOYBEAN

2 ON-GOING STUDIES

Initial results showed that **Manchuria variety** in Agusan del Sur obtained an average yield of 1.26 metric ton/hectare while **Tudela black soybean** in Surigao del Sur gained an average yield of 1.6 metric ton/hectare.

OTHER CROPS

4 STUDIES ON GOING

Cacao, Sweet Potato, Adlay and Herbs

On Sweet Potato - Findings showed that SP30, SP31 and Haponita varieties consistently provide high yield even without fertilizer application suggesting that these varieties are suitable in the area.

On Cacao - On yield performance of different cacao varieties, initial result showed the UF18 obtained the highest yield with an average of 35 kilogram/tree

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

2 ON-GOING STUDIES

Performance of upgraded native pigs fed with "ramie-ramie" leaves with corn as basal diet

- Initial findings indicated that 50% dried powdered ramie-ramie + 50% corn bran significantly has high weight gain compared to other treatments which translates to better carcass yield and therefore, better income.

Product development and commercialization of locally available agri-products in Caraga

32 value-added products developed and samples of these products are already submitted for shelf life and microbial analysis.



"Pinas Fries" won 4th Best Product during the National Technology Forum initiated by the DA-BAR.



RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TESTIMONIALS

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In August, 2019, I started mushroom production with 10 fruiting bags from Delmonte Lowland Rainfed Research Station (Delmonte LRRS) as starter pack. Since I only started with 10 fruiting bags, I see to it that I get involved in every activity for me to learn the art of growing mushroom and do some research every time I discover something new. Starting with 10 fruiting bags freely acquired from Delmonte LRRS, I able to earn a net profit of P100 per fruiting bag on average for 3 months, translating to a monthly net income of P33 per fruiting bag. With that good income, me and my wife decided to level-up our passion for business by sourcing-out an additional of 200 fruiting bags from the Trento Research Station. From there, we became more aggressive and enthusiastic in growing mushroom until we decided to establish a small mushroom house and produce our own fruiting bags.

Our mushroom house can accommodate as much as 3,500 fruiting bags and currently, we producing an average of 300 fruiting bags per month. This success would not be possible if not for the support of the Research Stations - from their input provision down to their technical assistance. We started as a newbie to mushroom production and now, we reaping the fruits of our labor and we enjoying it.

Aside that we earn extra income from this enterprise and having more time for each other and our kids, we have also helped our neighbors by providing employment thus, enabling them earn income as well.

While some youngsters may not be interested in the world of business, I found that I can be successful in doing business while working at the same time as long as he perseveres.

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IAN CEASAR M. ALFON
Owner, Alfon Mushroom Farm
Bayugan City, Agusan del Sur



IRRIGATION NETWORK

SERVICES

3 units Solar Powered Irrigation System

constructed/completed generating 30 hectares service area to make water accessible anytime, thus, increasing cropping intensity under 2018 Rice Program fund.
Borbon Farmers Association in San Francisco, Agusan del Sur
Florida Rice Farmers Association, Butuan City
Amparo Farmers Association, Butuan City.
1 unit ongoing construction in Sta. Josefa, Agusan del Sur funded under CY 2019 with Malipayon Agrarian Reform Small Farmers Association (MARSFA) as the beneficiary.



4 units of Small Farm Reservoir

constructed to collect rainfall and runoff as supplemental source of irrigation for crops in 3 DA Research and Experiment Stations of the region

6 sites Diversion Dams constructed

completed generating 168 hectares of rice area under CY 2018 Mechanization Program

5 Diversion Dam rehabilitated

generating 60 hectares of rice area under CY 2018 Mechanization Program



A total of **160 Group Beneficiaries** with a total cost of **Php 10M** under INS



211 units of pump and engine sets distributed and 15 units of Pump Irrigation System Open Source (PISOS) installed



to different cooperative/associations for rice and vegetables areas servicing 678 hectares for continued supply of water during dry season.

66,200 meters HDPE Pipes along with 1,206 plastic drums

distributed to 93 groups of vegetable growers for irrigation purposes. The HDPE pipes distributed were able to connect 603 irrigation systems.



IRRIGATION NETWORK SERVICES TESTIMONIALS

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Our farming always ends up breakeven. Sometimes, we have to work outside our farms because of the low net income. Fueling water pump engines cost us a lot. It is a great advantage for us to use Solar Powered Irrigation System since instead of buying diesel for our water pumps, we can save the money for our family's consumption or even for the additional funds of our farms. It is indeed a big help to us. I am extremely happy that this community will progress in the future. Although we are from a remote area, because the government saw our needs, we can foresee our own development.

”



MANUEL AMPO

Chairperson, Lake Oro Farmers Association
Brgy. Oro, Esperanza, Agusan del Sur

“

We are extremely happy that the Solar Powered Irrigation System was established here in our barangay because it is very difficult to farm without water. We are very grateful that the government gave us aid in our farming difficulties. This is very helpful because we can help send our students to school instead of financing more in fuel.

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DIGNO C. NAVARRA

President, Florida Rice Farmers Irrigators Association
Brgy. Florida, Butuan City, Agusan del Norte



PROVISION OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES SERVICES

1,393 units with total cost of **Php 314.04M** were given to different groups of farmers to increase their volume of production with a minimal production postharvest cost.

FARM PRODUCTION MACHINERIES AND EQUIPMENT

513 units with total cost **Php 114.95M** distributed to **513 cooperatives/associations** were given to different groups of farmers to increase their volume of production with minimal production cost.



RICE

12 units Four-Wheel Drive Tractor
66 units Hand Tractor
10 units Transplanter - Riding Type
106 units Transplanter - Walk Behind
26 units Floating Tiller
232 units Power Sprayer
20 units Seed Spreader

CORN

5 units Four-wheel Drive Tractor
4 units Corn Planter

CASSAVA

1 unit Four-Wheel Drive Tractor

HIGH VALUE CROPS

3 units Tractor
8 units Hand Tractor/multi Cultivator
7 units Power Sprayer
5 units Mini-chainsaw
8 units Pole/power Pruner/shear
225 units Knapsack Sprayer

ORGANIC

7 units Shredder

POSTHARVEST MACHINERIES AND EQUIPMENT

875 units with total cost of **Php 184.28 M** were distributed to **875 groups** of farmer to increase farmer's income through reduction of postharvest losses.

RICE

2 units Warehouse
7 units Hauling Truck
67 units Combined-Harvesters
55 units Rice Threshers
15 units Recirculating Dryers
32 units Reapers

CORN

5 units Corn mill
1 unit Combined Harvester
1 unit Recirculating Dryer
1 unit Hammer Mill
7 units Corn Sheller
4 units Cassava Grater with Presser
3 units Generator Set for Corn Mill
6 units Moisture Meter

Before the machine distribution, the programs together with the Regional Agricultural Engineering Division (RAED) will conduct Product Testing and Orientation on Operation and Actual Demonstration. This is to ensure that the delivered goods meet the required specifications and that the beneficiaries will be proficient in operating and troubleshooting their respective machineries.

FACILITIES/TRAINING CENTER



2 units feed milling facility established worth Php 8.4M to increase farmers' income by producing their own feeds for SOEMCO, Socorro, Surigao del Norte and LGU Tago, Surigao del Sur.

2 units warehouse constructed amounting to Php 4.0M for crop storage for Caraga Rice Seed Growers Association, Esperanza, Agusan del Sur and Sto. Nino Multi Purpose Cooperative, Butuan City

1 Training Center (Phase 2) upgraded amounting Php 2.41M at Provincial Veterinary Office Agusan del Sur to make the venue more comfortable and conducive for our farmer learners.

HIGH VALUE CROPS

1 unit Hauling Truck
6 units Banana Chipper
10 units Fermentation Facility
637 units Plastic Grates

ORGANIC

2 units Pinawa Rice Mill
1 unit Vacuum Pack Sealer

LIVESTOCK

2 units Feed Milling Equipment
2 units Mini Mixer
1 unit Portable Pellet Mill
2 units Vacuum Dryer
2 units Horizontal Sifter
2 units Soybean Extruder
3 units Portable Speaker



PROVISION OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

TESTIMONIALS

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Before we were entangled with debts because we don't have enough finances to support farm operations. When calamity hits us, we struggled to recover due to the limited resources that we have.

We spend a total of Php. 5,000 to Php. 6,000.00 for labor per hectare in manual harvesting plus for every 100 sacks of palay harvested an additional payment of 8 sacks will be given to the hired laborers. It will take 2-3 days to harvest a hectare which poses the problem of unpredictable rains that could affect the said palay.

Our group has improved in these last few years. We can now generate additional income by providing services to other farmers at affordable service fee.

With that, we are grateful for the assistance of the DA to our group. As a way of giving back, we commit to provide efficient service to our fellow farmers.

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GILBERTO PLAZA

Chairman, Gamut Farmers Irrigators Group Inc.
Barangay Gamut, Tago, Surigao del Sur

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With the use of a farm machine, we, the women can even operate the rice transplanter or any farm machine since it does not require too much strength to do it.

”

EDITHA DEDUMO

President, Barangay Anolingán Rural Improvement Club
Esperanza, Agusan del Sur



FARM-TO-MARKET ROAD NETWORK SERVICES

LESS THAN 50% COMPLETION

3 Projects
3.333 Kilometers
277.4 Ha. of Area Served
Php 39.13M Contract Cost
8,510 Households Benefited
25 Jobs Generated

JOINT VALIDATION OF APPROVED SUBPROJECTS

29 Projects
41.023 Kilometers
6,996.1 Ha. of Area Served
Php 281.38M Contract Cost
4,103 Households Benefited
123 Jobs Generated



DA Regional Agricultural Engineering Division (RAED) in coordination with DPWH District Engineers conducted quarterly meetings to discuss updates and provide resolutions to issues and concerns encountered in the course of implementation.



Joint validation with DPWH in coordination with LGU were conducted since 2018 to confirm and establish exact location for the conduct of pre-engineering activity of DPWH.

VALIDATION OF PROPOSED SUBPROJECTS SUBMITTED BY LGUS

25 Projects
37.001 Kilometers
17,913.83 Ha. of Area Served
Php 495,53M Contract Cost
11,711 Households Benefited
223 Jobs Generated



DA RFO in coordination with the LGUs identify proposed sites and conduct validation and geotagging in accordance with purpose, objectives and implementation of the project.

COMPLETED

12 Projects
18.12 Kilometers
11,568.68 Ha. of Area Served
Php 269.45M Contract Cost
8,510 Households Benefited
148 Jobs (Generated)



DPWH turned-over the completed projects to DA-RFO. DA-RFO is responsible in turning over the management and ownership of completed projects to LGU/ beneficiary which shall also be responsible for its operation and maintenance.

MORE THAN 50% COMPLETION

14 Projects
19.573 Kilometers
6,266.7 Ha. of Area Served
Php 242.24M Contract Cost
7,010 Households Benefited
95 Jobs (Generated)



DA-RFO and DPWH conducted joint monitoring and inspection of the projects.

By virtue of a Memorandum of Agreement Department of Agriculture (DA) and Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) agreed to collaborate in the implementation of farm to market road projects. The agreement specifically covers the repair/ rehabilitation/ construction of farm-to-market road projects in the sites identified by the DA.

FARM-TO-MARKET ROAD NETWORK SERVICES TESTIMONIALS

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We are more than blessed and thankful to our dearest president Mr. Rodrigo R. Duterte for the implementation of the “Build, Build” program specifically the Farm to Market Road headed by the Department of Agriculture, and for giving us the opportunity to enjoy it’s benefits. Actually, we’ve been dreaming and hoping for so long that one day the government will foresee the needs of some rural barangays, specifically the farm to market road aspects since it is the most important during the transportation of commodities. Through farm to market road, it is now easy for us to access our individual produce from our farms to its market thus this will lessen post production loss also, it will minimize production shrinkage specially for those high value crops.

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DELINO S. DELABAHA
Barangay Captain
Mahaba, Cabadbaran City, Agusan del Norte

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The residents and the farmer beneficiaries expressed their gratitude towards the project, Concreting of Brgy. Poblacion – Sitio Siwata, Bacuag, Surigao del Norte. The road is now passable with easy transport of agricultural goods down to the market. It also provided additional income to some of the residents of the area as they venture to putting up beach cottages since the project is not just accessible to the farmers but for the fisherfolks as well.

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WILMA L. OPALIA
Municipal Agriculturist
Bacuag, Surigao del Norte



REGULATORY SERVICES

BENEFICIARIES

10 groups and 135 individual beneficiaries

QUALITY CONTROL AND INSPECTION

Certification and Accreditation

6 Good Agricultural Practices (GAP)

1 Good Animal Husbandry Practices (GAHP)

were certified as compliant farms in 2019



A total of

12 GAP
1 GAHP



farms adherent to the Philippine National Standards (PNS) as of CY 2019 ensuring safe food and quality agricultural products for consumers while ensuring the welfare of both farm workers and animals without any degradation to environment.

2 Banana

7 Corn

1 Mangosteen

2 TechnoDemo Farm

1 Layer (Poultry)



Inspection and Collection of Samples

730 Feeds/VDAP Establishments and Animal Facilities



726 samples of feed, cracked corn and grits



collected for laboratory analysis to ensure compliance to the standard set by Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI).

Monitoring and Surveillance

117 animal handlers and transport vehicles



monitored to make sure that transport of animals must be provided with maximum comfort while in transit and minimize, if not totally eradicate, incidence of sickness and death and prevent any cruelty from being inflicted upon the animals.

65 or **162%** increase in disease monitoring, surveillance and investigation



conducted to monitor status of animal and plant health in the region. DA intensified its monitoring and surveillance due to African Swine Fever (ASF) and Fall Army Worm (FAW) outbreak in Luzon. Data and findings are relevant in identification and mapping of possible outbreaks and in formulating strategies and pest advisories or forecasting.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING

128 regulatory documents



issued to feeds establishments and veterinary drugs and product outlets in compliance to RA 1556 or Livestock and Poultry and Poultry Feeds Act and RA 3720 or Food, Drugs, Cosmetics and Devices Act to ensure safe supply of feeds and veterinary drugs in the market. A total of **Php 124,914.30** fees has been collected for the issuance of said documents.

17 animal facility



were registered in compliance to RA 8485 otherwise known as "**Animal Welfare Act of 1998**" to ensure safety and protection of all types of animals in the region.

168 documents evaluated and endorsed



to BAI for the issuance of regulatory documents

REGULATORY SERVICES TESTIMONIALS

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The GAP Training initiated by the Corn Program and Regulatory Division of DA – Caraga helped a lot in our farm practices. The training taught us to be prepared in terms of the things we have to use for our farm, to produce secured and safe food and, especially, how to make a site development plan that served as the blueprint of the whole farm. The inputs we learned were applied to our 4.6 ha. demo farm. We are very grateful to the GAP training because it helped us carry out farm activities in a well-mannered way. Also, during the training we were impressed with the resource speakers and lecturers because they are really experts and they were well-versed in the topics. The presentations were clear because of the skilled staff from the Department of Agriculture – Caraga. Questions during the training were also efficiently and effectively answered. Through these, the participants surely understood the training. We are truly grateful for the training that we had.

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LEONITO C. PASQUITO

LGU-Las Nieves Demonstration Farm PhilGAP Certified
Brgy. San Isidro, Las Nieves, Agusan del Sur

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Through the GAP for corn training promoted and facilitated by the Department of Agriculture Regulatory Division in partnership with our Municipality Agriculturist, it lightens my burdens. There's really a big difference between my farming practices and the good agricultural practices. By following the good agriculture practices protocol, I've learned the right way of farming specially in planting and management of corn production. Honestly before, from my 2 hectares of corn field I can only harvest a maximum of 3 metric tons per hectare but most of the time I failed, I was disappointed and discouraged to pursue my farming during those times, but since the day I participated the training and apply the protocols I've learned, from the production, harvesting and on-farm postharvest handling and storage of corn, I can now reap a maximum of 8 to 9 metric tons per hectare of yellow corn and from 1.5 metric tons to 3 metric tons per hectare of open pollinated corn variety (OPV). With this, I am more than thankful to the Department of Agriculture as well as to the Municipal Agriculturist Office for giving me strength, hope and an opportunity to continue my venture. This motivates me to continue farming since then.

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FRANCISCO M. SANTUYA, JR.

President, Municipal P4MP Federation
Prosperidad, Agusan del Sur



SPECIAL PROJECT PHILIPPINE RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

I-PLAN Investments in Planning at the Local and National Levels

ENHANCING THE AFMP PROCESS

Formulation/Updating of Value Chain Analysis (VCA)

Sardines
With No Objection Letter (NOL)

**Abaca, Banana
Cardava, Cassava,
Coffee, Mango and Rubber**
On-going updating and validation

SUPPORT TO AFMP IMPLEMENTATION

✓ The Province of **Surigao del Sur** satisfactorily amended their PCIP adding interventions that are eligible for project funding

✓ Spearheaded the **Training on Rubber Production** for NCII with the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) and partner LGU of Agusan del Sur. This is part of developing competent farmers/ assessors for quality rubber production and area expansion.

I-REAP Investments in rural Enterprises and Agriculture and Fisheries Productivity



I-REAP component has 14 subprojects with a budget portfolio of **Php 111,489,291.08**. This represents 15.74% on the cost and 14.37% on the total subprojects of the Mindanao cluster. The Province of Agusan del Norte shares the biggest investment cost for I-REAP, followed by Surigao del Sur.

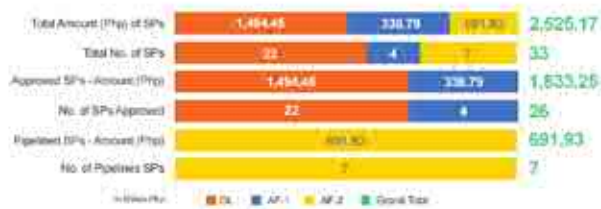
Out of the 14 subprojects, 11 were approved while the remaining 3 are pipelined awaiting approval from the NPCO. Once implemented, these subprojects will benefit 4,199 farmers and fisherfolk.



For the year, the Bangus Production and Marketing subproject of Surigao del Sur amounting to **Php 16.549 M** was the lone project issued with NOL



I-BUILD Intensified Building Up of Infrastructure and Logistics for Development



SUBPROJECT STAGE	NO. OF SPs	COST (M)
Completed (100%)	14	501.21
50% and above progress	8	918.36
Less than 50% progress	6	712.62
Approved by RPAB	3	292.16
Under FS/DED Preparation	4	398.77
TOTAL	33	2,524.13

Of the 7 SPs pipelined under AF2, three (3) SPs were approved by the Regional Project Advisory Board (RPAB) and were submitted to the PSO for the issuance of NOL1

SUBPROJECT TYPE	NO. SPs	COST (M)	UNIT
Communal Irrigation System	1	37.11	100 ha.
Farm to Market Road (FMR)	11	445.00	42.76 km.
Other	2	19.10	sq.m.
Total	14	501.21	
Beneficiaries		15,597	Households
Financial Disbursement			117%

4 newly completed subprojects (SP) has been added for 2019.

I-SUPPORT Project Implementation Support



LGUs and Proponent Groups capacitated in the procurement of goods and civil works.



Continued innovation to further improve the utilization of the geotagging tool and its use in the planning, reviewing and monitoring subprojects and decision making of the LGUs, contractors and the PRDP Management.



IEC materials were produced and distributed/released to showcase the accomplishment and best practices of the PRDP and to encourage other LGUs to participate and avail funds from the Project.



Citizens Monitoring Teams (CMT) created for the 3 new on-going SPs to boost the citizens' ownership and increasing their stake to the sustainability of the subprojects and Rapid Appraisal of Emerging Benefits (RAEB) conducted as one of the mechanism whether the desired outcomes are likely or unlikely to be achieved.



Provided technical assistance and monitored the compliance of LGUs, contractors and proponent groups to ensure that subprojects are not only technically feasible but are also environmentally sound and socially acceptable.



Quarterly Coordination meetings with Provincial/ Municipal/ City Project Management Implementing Units (P/M/CPMIU) and monthly Management Meetings were conducted to ensure that every aspect of subproject implementation is given proper attention and concerns are addressed promptly and accordingly.

MAINSTREAMING OF PRDP TOOLS AND PROCESSES



Regional Agricultural Engineering Division (RAED) adapted PRDP tools and processes such as the of infrastructure Quality Monitoring Durability System (IQMDS), pre-construction conference, material testing and geotagging tools.



PCIPs were utilized in proposal preparation for submission to other agencies.



Integrated Environmental and Social Safeguards Framework (IESSF) was discussed to personnel from DA Banner Programs to share and mainstream SES policy framework.

PHILIPPINE RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TESTIMONIALS

“ The Lumads living here have seen the impact of the road in their livelihood. They're motivated to plant more commodities in the idle lands and they've also started to plant rubber trees since they're inspired by the concrete road that have given them easy access to the market.

”



ALBERTO T. AGUILAR
Farmer and IP Representative
Doña Maxima, San Luis, Agusan del Sur

“ Our farm products were just being carried by us with a basket to market since there was no road. There's nothing to worry this time for the rubber buyer can already come here. There's no more constraint in coming. They can already weight the products here including banana and other commodities.

”



ANGGAMAN A. ESCALICAS
Barangay, Captain
Murtola, San Luis, Agusan del Sur



SPECIAL PROJECT SPECIAL AREA FOR AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT

To contribute in the reduction of poverty through increased food production and productivity in the target areas by providing the appropriate technology, financing, marketing and other support services in order to make farmers and fisherfolk productive and profitable.

The project's focus in CY 2019 as its base year was on production establishment on identified commodities in the two provinces **Agusan del Sur** and **Surigao del Sur** considered among the poorest provinces in the country.



TOTAL OF ₱ 21.09M

LIST OF INTERVENTION	UNIT	PHYSICAL	COST (PHP '000)
Rice Seeds	<i>bags</i>	30	43.7
Cacao	<i>pieces</i>	21,000	724.5
Camote	<i>bundle</i>	600	146.0
Ube	<i>bundle</i>	1,100	141.9
Fertilizers	<i>bags</i>	665	386.0
Chemical Inputs	<i>liters</i>	110	120.0
Native Chicken *	<i>heads</i>	250	-
Goat	<i>packet **</i>	6	7,975.0
Carabao (Draft)	<i>heads</i>	14	468.3
Feeds	<i>bags</i>	81	122.7
Stripping Machine (Mobile & Portable)	<i>number</i>	7	1,306.0
Hand Tractor with Implements	<i>number</i>	6	77.2
Egg Incubator	<i>number</i>	1	37.0
Farm Tools	<i>number</i>	105	77.9
Animal Housing with Fence	<i>number</i>	24	9,466.2

* Sourced from Research Station ** 1 Buck and 10 Does.

“

Using of abaca stripping machine has a big difference compared to manual stripping. It makes the process easier and less costly. Through the use of abaca stripping machine, we can sell the abaca fibers as much as Php 90 per kilo compared to Php 55 for manual stripping. I have a plan to set a meeting where I can share the knowledge that I learned through this training especially on how to use and operate the stripping machine because most of them don't know how to use it. I am very grateful to the Department of Agriculture specially to SAAD Program. I have seen how difficult it is for people in the past but through the assistance of the program, the provision of planting materials, and if technologies will be brought to every farmer, I am absolutely sure that each farmer will improve.

”



GIL A. GABLES

Chairman, Culiram SAAD Farmers Association
Brgy. Culiram, Talacogon, Agusan del Sur



SPECIAL PROJECT

ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION INITIATIVES IN AGRICULTURE

One of the programs in the DA Systems-Wide Programs on Climate Change, the Mainstreaming Climate Change **Adaptation and Mitigation Initiative in Agriculture (AMIA)** aims to minimize the DA's institutional risks and protect government investment; and adjust development programs/projects and approaches to address climate change risks.



CLIMATE RESILIENT AND VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

Assess exposure, sensitivity and adaptive capacity of the agri-fisheries sector to climate change, identify and prioritize provinces-specific climate risk that threaten the resilience of the agri-fishery communities and to plan and design climate risk responsive research and development interventions to build resilience among agri-fishery communities



Dinagat Islands
and **Surigao del Norte**

90%

accomplished on data collection for CRVA and adaptive capacity



Agusan del Sur
and **Surigao del Sur**

briefing and consultations for the conduct of CRVA



Coordination and monitoring of the AMIA Village with **Jabonga, Agusan del Norte**. **Climate Resilient Field School (CRFS)** was established for corn and vegetables with 60 farmer cooperators



LOAN FACILITATION SERVICES

AGRICULTURAL COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND (ACEF)

aims to increase productivity of farmers and fisherfolk by providing necessary credit. A maximum of PHP 5.0 Million can be availed by cooperatives, associations and MSMEs and PHP 1.0 Million by individual farmers/fishers with 2% interest rate

399 applications were reviewed and validated in coordination with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP)

CARAGA SOUTH LENDING CENTER

Agusan del Sur and Surigao del Sur

had the biggest share **81%**



355 validated applications DA Caraga endorsed to LBP as its funding conduit **84%**



38% Approval rate



94.67M Total value

High value crops marked the highest share which covered **52%**, and 96% (64 applications) of which were oil palm production in Agusan del Sur. Rice and corn production followed with 28% and 12%, respectively.

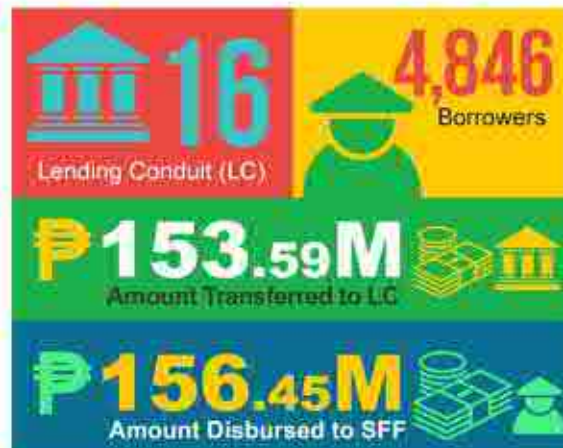
SURE AID LOAN

is a loan facility for rice farmers who are farming 1.0 hectare and below and DA accredited service conduit payable in 8 years inclusive of 6 months grace period with zero interest.



PRODUCTION LOAN EASY ACCESS (PLEA)

a special credit window designed to address the needs of small farmers and fisherfolk for a fast, convenient and affordable credit.



LOAN FACILITATION SERVICES TESTIMONIALS



I was awarded with two hectares of land when starting farming but i would only get to plant on half of a hectare then because I don't have enough capital. I applied for ACEF Loan 2018. When I learned about this program I applied right away and in the first week of November, my loan was approved and I started to plant on my 2 hectares of land.

Since I avail the ACEF Loan program, there has been a big change in my farming endeavor. I learned about a technique in marketing. my market strategy was enhanced. I checked first what the demand was in the market because I am thinking of the loan that I have to pay. So, I conducted a market survey which I had not practiced before. I learned that I only need to produce 50 kilos a day of eggplant but since I still have money and available area, I planted other crops. I learned that there are many crops in demand in the market so I started planting them. In multi-cropping, there is a big income. As days passed by, somebody knew that I had plenty of vegetables so I posted on social media that the ragas farm is open for pick and buy. Unexpectedly, more people appreciated it because the vegetables were really fresh until such time that a lot of people visited my farm therefore more income was generated since we were already the ones to command the price and not the customers. People would come to our vegetable farm to tour thus, we collect entrance fees from them. I also collect fees when I conduct lectures inside the farm.

From my ACEF Loan Fund, we were able to accomplish many things. we have converted it into Farm Tourism. Before I availed of the ACEF Loan, I only got to plant ½ of a hectare and my average income was Php. 10,000.00 a month only. Now my average income is Php. 40,000.00 a month. We are really thankful to ACEF for helping the small farmers. Because of this, I can now send my children to school, provide their needs and have a better life. ”



RUBEN RAGAS

Owner, Ragas Integrated and Diversified Farming System
Cabadbaran City, Agusan del Norte

SUPPORT TO OPERATIONS PLANNING, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

1 CSO Consultation
conducted for the
FY 2020 proposed plan

2 CY 2020 Regional Plan and Budget Proposal presentations were conducted

1 PMED Strategic Plan was crafted for the year 2020 to 2026

3 RMC & 6 ManCom Meetings were conducted

1 Briefer and Profile for DA Caraga has been updated

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

2 Regional Review and Assessment were conducted in the year 2019

324 Project Monitoring and Evaluation conducted accomplishing 324% of the 100 physical targets

1 M&E Report Conference Conducted

2 Report Officers Meeting Conducted

INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY

IT Infrastructure Enhanced
266 Units Repaired and Maintained

Developed APMIS app
Agri-Presyo Monitoring Information System

SUPPORT TO OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION

DA-Caraga takes pride on the accomplishments and commitment to excellence of its employees. Through the years, their talents and efforts have helped in the success of the agency.

Paying tribute to the notable employees of the department

BENJAMIN S. CALAMBA
January 31, 2019

INOCENCIA H. LAGANSON
July 31, 2020

ROSALINDA G. GALON
November 30, 2018

ISIDRO D. LAGUMBAY JR.
October 31, 2019

LEO G. LAZAGA
March 31, 2018

GERTRUDES S. FORTUN
June 30, 2018

DANILO A. ESTACION
November 30, 2019

To honor the dedication and loyalty of the public servants of the agency

35 Years of Service

14K Gold Plated Bracelet with DA logo with Cash & Certificate of Appreciation

**ISIDRO D. LAGUMBAY JR.
JOHN E. DAMBA**

30 Years of Service

14K Gold Plated Bracelet with DA logo with Cash & Certificate of Appreciation

**EDDAR C. BERGERO
ESCOLASTICO S. CADAYAN
FERNANDO G. DAGULA
ROSALINDA G. DALON
JOSEFA M. DIDAPAN
INOCENCIA U. LAGANSON**

25 Years of Service

14K Gold Plated Bracelet with DA logo with Cash & Certificate of Appreciation

ABEL R. MADIAS

15 Years of Service

14K Gold Plated DA pin with Cash & Certificate of Appreciation

ESTHER H. WENIARDI



DA-Caraga management initiated the **RED'S CUP**, a weekly sports activity for employees and officials to attain the objectives of the National Physical Fitness and Sports Development Program.

SUPPORT TO OPERATIONS FINANCE

BUDGET APPROPRIATION

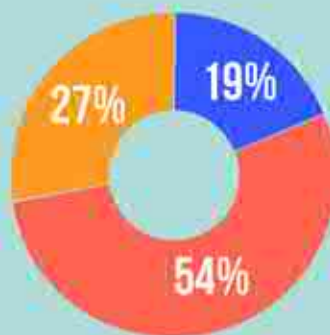
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The region's total appropriation in FY 2019 was pegged at PhP 963.51 million lower by 28.7% or PhP 276.46 million compared to FY 2018. The year's budget also decreased by 10.9% based on National Expenditure Program (NEP).

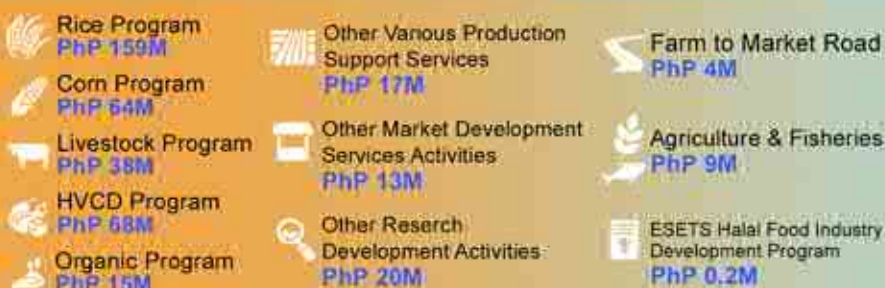
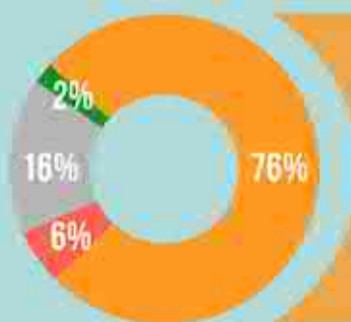


PS	109,942,784.60
MOOE	310,500,689.20
CO	168,617,291.00
FINEX	40,000.00
TOTAL	580,000,664.60

Percent Distribution by Expense Class, 2019

FUND ALLOCATION

PRODUCTIVITY IN AGRICULTURE SECTOR



- General Administration Support Services
- Support to Operations
- Productivity in Agriculture Sector
- Other Fund Services

Total allocation released was PhP 580.00 million for the region in FY 2019 and biggest allocation was for the productivity in agriculture sector with 71% share where the major programs and projects of the department was lodged. Under this sector, Rice Program had the largest share with 38.78% followed by High Value Crops Program (HVCDP) and Corn Program by 12 % and 11% respectively.

FUND UTILIZATION

FY 2019 Agency's Fund Utilization

	ALLOTMENT	OBLIGATION		DISBURSEMENT	
GEN. ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES	31,909,909.05	31,692,199.21	99%	30,880,502.00	97%
SUPPORT TO OPERATIONS	88,409,209.26	86,894,412.67	98%	79,599,445.38	92%
PRODUCTIVITY IN AGRICULTURAL SECTOR	412,077,893.29	401,084,199.78	97%	370,105,617.17	92%
LOCALLY FUNDED	35,303,000.00	33,546,009.96	95%	25,417,454.03	76%
OTHER FUND SOURCES	12,303,653.00	11,736,862.40	95%	11,686,938.54	99%
TOTAL	580,000,664.60	564,953,684.02	97%	492,272,503.10	87%

NATIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



NATIONAL RICE ACHIEVER AWARDEES

Butuan City
City Category Award

CACEA-Guihao-an Irrigators Association Inc.
Municipality of Buenavista
Outstanding Irrigators Association for Mindanao Cluster Award

Pinamangculan-Tagpulangi-Dalingdingan Irrigators Association
Butuan City
Special Citation-Irrigators Association Award



CORN QUALITY ACHIEVER'S AWARD

Province of Agusan del Sur
Provincial Category Award

Armando G. Valiente
Municipality of Prosperidad
Provincial Agriculturist Category Award

Perla C. Galaura
Municipality of Prosperidad
Provincial Corn Coordinator Category Award

City of Butuan (Hall of Famer)
City/Municipal Category Award

Municipality of Prosperidad
City/Municipal Category Award

Municipality of Las Nieves
City/Municipal Category Award

Luzviminda U. Abellana
Municipality of Prosperidad
Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Pierre Anthony D. Joven
Butuan City
City/Municipal Agriculturist Category Award

Marlita P. Cortez
Municipality of Prosperidad
City/Municipal Agriculturist Category Award

Leonito C. Pasquito
Municipality of Las Nieves
City/Municipal Agriculturist Category Award

Erlinda E. Plaza (Hall of Famer)
Butuan City
City/ Municipal Corn Coordinator Category Award

Nilo Y. Villamor
Municipality of Prosperidad
City/ Municipal Corn Coordinator Category Award

Mary Jane A. Maratas
Municipality of Las Nieves
City/ Municipal Corn Coordinator Category Award



OUTSTANDING AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERY COUNCIL COORDINATOR

Cherrie Mae Berganio
Municipality of Remedios T. Romualdez
Finalist - Outstanding AFC Coordinator Award

REGIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



GAWAD SAKA AWARDEES

Junie E. Awa

Municipality of Buenavista
Young Farmer Category Award

Raul P. Basmayor

Municipality of Mainit
Outstanding Integrated Rice Based
Farming System Category Award

Renato Frias

Municipality of Trento
Corn Farmer Category Award

Perlito B. Montanez

Municipality of Carrascal
Small Animal Farmer Category Award

Catmonon RIC

Municipality of Esperanza
Rural Improvement Club Category Award

Analyn Dulpina

Municipality of Burgos
Vegetable Farmer Category Award

MAFC, RTR

Municipality of Remedios T. Romualdez
Municipal Agricultural and Fisheries Council Category Award

Sto. Niño MPC

Butuan City
Small Farmers Organization Category Award



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REGIONAL SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING ORGANIC AGRICULTURE ACHIEVERS AWARD

City of Bislig
City/Municipal Category Award

Edgar G. Opalia
Municipality of Alegria
Municipal Focal Person Category Award

Jenebelle B. Sasi
Municipality of Trento
Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Romeo R. Estrella and Family
Municipality of Socorro
Farming Family Category Award

Analyn Dulpina
Municipality of Burgos
Small Farmer Category Award



REGIONAL RICE ACHIEVER AWARDEES

City of Butuan
Outstanding CLGU Category Award

Cherrie Mae L. Berganio
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Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Segundina O. Ayag
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Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

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Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

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Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Connie A. Erigan
Butuan City
Outstanding Local Farmer Technician Category Award

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Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Joan B. Dela Torre
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Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

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Municipality of Trento
Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

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Municipality of Trento
Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Alfred A. Gimang
Municipality of Trento
Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Rolamae G. Danlag
Municipality of Trento
Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Jose Karl G. Ouano
Municipality of Remedios T. Romualdez
Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award

Carmel Lynn V. Deguito
Tandag City
Outstanding Agricultural Extension Worker Category Award



AGRI-GALING COMPETITION

Bayugan National Comprehensive High School
Bayugan City
First Place - Agri-Galing Infomercial Video Category

Caraga State University - Cabadbaran
Cabadbaran City
Second Place - Agri-Galing Infomercial Video Category

Caraga Regional Science High School - Surigao
Surigao City
Third Place - Agri-Galing Infomercial Video Category

Bayugan National Comprehensive High School
Bayugan City
Best Video Editing

Caraga State University - Cabadbaran
Cabadbaran City
Best Sound Editing

Bayugan National Comprehensive High School
Bayugan City
Most Creative

Tagbina National High School
Municipality of Tagbina
Most Relevant

FSUU - Bishop Pueblos Senior High School
Butuan City
Viewer's Choice Award



OUTSTANDING LIVESTOCK AI TECHNICIAN

Carlos K. Nobio
Butuan City
Best Artificial Insemination Coordinator

Cerilino S. Catamban
Butuan City
Best Artificial Insemination Technician

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