

National Food Authority

Accomplishment Report

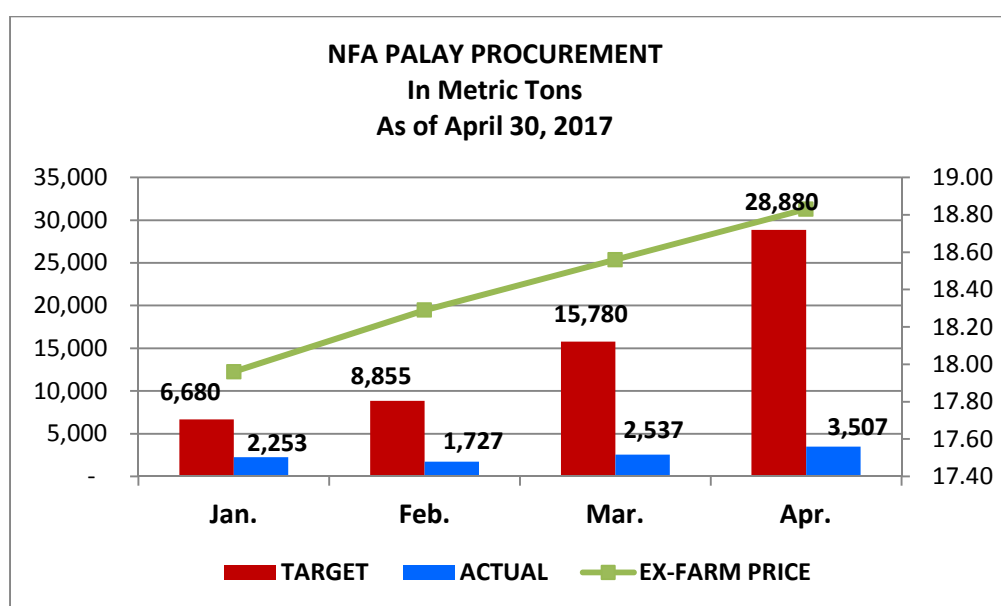
April 2017

MFO 1: STABLE SUPPLY AND PRICE OF STAPLE CEREALS

PROCUREMENT

a. Palay

For the month of April 2017, NFA procured 3,507 MT of palay, which is 12% accomplishment of the month's target of 28,880 MT. The slight increase in procurement was due to NFA's intervention through intensified procurement activities in surplus provinces.



DISTRIBUTION

For the month of April, NFA distributed 55,977 MT of rice, equivalent to 63% accomplishment of the target of 88,735 MT.

PRICES

Based on the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) summary of commercial palay/rice prices, the average ex-farm price posted an increase of ₱0.27 from last month's price of ₱18.29 to ₱18.56 for this month, due to the ending of the main harvest season. NFA's buying price for palay is comparatively lower by ₱1.83/kg. However, NFA's buying price for yellow corn, was higher by ₱0.89/kg., while for white corn, it is lower by ₱0.14/kg, compared to the prevailing commercial level.

Average Ex-Farm Prices vs NFA Buying Price

(Price per kg.)

April 30, 2017

Commodity	NFA Buying Price	Ex-Farm Price	Price Diff. (In peso/kg)
Palay	17.00	18.83	(1.83)
YGN	12.30	11.41	0.89
WGN	13.00	12.98	0.02

Wholesale prices of WMR and RMR both posted a slight decrease of ₱0.12/kg. and ₱0.02/kg., but retail prices showed an increase of ₱0.45/kg. and ₱0.04/kg., respectively. Yellow Corn manifested an increase of ₱0.11/kg. in wholesale price, but showed a ₱0.22/kg. decrease in retail price. White Corn posted increases of a ₱0.19/kg. in the wholesale and ₱3.07/kg., in the retail level.

Average Prevailing Wholesale/Retail Price of Rice and Corn

(Peso per Kg.)

April 30, 2017

Commodity	April	March	Price Diff in (Peso/Kg)
Whole Sale			
WMR	38.34	38.46	(0.12)
RMR	34.59	34.61	(0.02)
YGN	17.94	17.83	0.11
WGN	15.47	15.28	0.19
Retail			
WMR	41.45	41.00	0.45
RMR	37.09	37.05	0.04
YGN	22.38	22.60	(0.22)
WGN	30.74	27.67	3.07

MFO 3: BUFFER STOCK OF STAPLE CEREALS EFFECTIVELY MANAGED

RICE STOCK INVENTORY

As of April 30, 2017, NFA had a stock inventory of 5,420,029 bags (total rice equivalent – TRE) or 271,001.45 MT, good to last for 8 days, based on the 2017 national daily rice consumption requirement of 32,720 MT.

NATIONAL QUALITY ASSESSMENT (QSAR) OF NFA STOCKS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2017

The total volume of assessed NFA stored grains as of the end of April was 5,988,362 bags, composed of palay, milled rice and corngrains, a decrease of 15.28% from the March 2017 volume of 7,068,539 bags. Stocks fit as food (rice) represent 99.96% of the total assessed grains. Stocks for disposition were 2,049.2 bags (0.034%), composed of sweepings and partially damaged stocks, and 84.3 bags (0.001%) of totally damaged milled rice.

CLASSIFICATION/ CONDITION OF STOCKS	Quantity (in 50-kg bags)	PERCENTAGE (%)
Good Quality (GQ)	3,305,764.6	55.720
Treated	2,678,462.3	44.720
For treatment	2,001.6	0.033
Total for Disposition	2,049.2	
-Sweepings	1,442.5	0.024
-Partially Damaged	606.7	0.010
Totally Damaged	84.3	0.001
TOTAL	5,988,362.0	100%

MFO 4: DEVELOPMENTAL REGULATION OF THE GRAINS INDUSTRY IMPLEMENTED AND ENFORCED

REGISTERED/LICENSED GRAINS BUSINESSMEN

For the month of April, NFA registered and licensed 3,259 applicants, 94 of whom availed of the three-year (2018-2020) advance-license scheme. Total R/L collections on grains business activities amounted to ₱7,537,651.14, which include collection from mobile licensing amounting to ₱1,948,770.76, and ₱94,490.00 from advance license collections. 388 metal plates were issued/sold for ₱77,600. The R/L fees comprised 63.52% of the annual targeted collection of ₱143M.

PARTICULARS	
R/L Fees Collection	7,537,651.14
Mobile Licensing	1,948,770.76
Advance Collections (2018-2020)	94,490.00
2018 Applicants: 45	39,985.00
2019 Applicants: 48	54,285.00
2020 Applicants: 1	220.00
No. of R/L Applicants	3,259
METAL PLATES (@ P200/pc)	
- No. of Issuances of Metal Plates	388
- Amount	77,600.00

UGNAYANs (Farmers' Assembly)

For the month of April, 116 UGNAYANs were conducted, participated in by 3,456 NFA stakeholders.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACCOMPLISHMENT
UGNAYANs conducted	116
Participants	3,456

CUSTOMER-ASSISTANCE

Through its nationwide Customer-Assistance Units (CAU), NFA responded to/assisted 355 stakeholders. Most of the assistance rendered were on requests for farmer's passbook, renewal of NFA license, delivery date of NFA rice allocation, and R/L requirements of new applicants.

Type of Assistance Rendered

SUMMARY OF CAU SERVICES	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Inquiries	44
Requests	310
Complaints	1
Total Assistance Rendered	355

PHIL. GRAINS STANDARDIZATION PROGRAM (PGSP)

To check whether the PGSP Rules and Regulations are strictly observed, 90 Grains Business Establishments were inspected. 434 Trainings and seminars to advocate PGSP rules and regulations were conducted, participated in by 550 NFA Stakeholders.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Grains Business Establishment Inspected	90
Meetings/Seminars/Trainings;	
Number conducted	434
Number of Participants	550
Press Releases made	2
PGSP Violation cases filed	-

NFA PRIVATE SECTOR RICE IMPORTATION

NFA issued/renewed licenses to eight importers: five grains businessmen and three farmer organizations. Import licenses are different from import permits issued for MAV.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Number of NFA Licensed Importers	8
- Farmer Organizations	3
- Other Sectors (Non-Farmers)	5

Import License – issued by Industry Services Department under PD4 to Grains Businessmen involved in different lines of activities involving grains in a specified quantity, during a specified period (usually one year).

Import Permit – Issued by NFA to Grains Importers on a per shipment basis, required by BOC for the release of the cargo (grains).

FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Testing

For the month of April, FDC performed 11 physical and sensory evaluation, 111 chemical analysis, 80 microbiological, and 4 micro analytical quality evaluation, to determine safety and quality of white rice, brown rice, corn grits, other cereals, and various food and food products. Other activities included the testing of packaging materials and label evaluation; heat penetration and heat distribution test to establish and/or evaluate adequacy of thermal processes of canned goods; shelf life testing to establish shelf life of various packaged products; and the conduct of seminar/training.

Research and Development

- Development and Implementation of R & D projects
 - Arsenic in Rice – project reports
 - Coconut cream
 - Jellyfish balls
 - Meat project- Additional experiment

Quality Assurance

- Implemented one Pilot-Plant project.
- Conducted inspection of one food manufacturing plant and issue compliance certificate.

Training Programs

- Implemented 1 training course to the food industry and government agencies
- Developed 4 training course materials

Industry Liaison

- Evaluated 54 clients' technical inquiries and recommendations and FDC's analyses/services to meet international standards
- Maintained FDC website and FDC wifi network
- Monitored and delivered 74 FDC reports to stakeholders

ISO Compliance

- Implemented eight QA activities for testing laboratories (Filth Laboratory)

LEGAL AFFAIRS

For the month, 265 activities pertaining to adjudication, documentation and litigation were undertaken:

Adjudication	13
Opinions, memoranda & communications letters issued and served	4
Draft decision transmitted to AO for approval	1
Proposed Resolution transmitted to AO for approval	1
Manifestation and Motion served to H.O. and prosecutor	1
Pre-hearing conference	1
Docketed Case/s	1
Served S.O. and case folders to H.O. and Prosecutors	1
Answer served to H.O. and prosecutor	1
Motion for Extension served to H.O. and Prosecutor	1
Special order designating staff lawyers as H.O. and Pros.	1
Transmitted to AO for approval	1
Documentation & Legal Research	17
Contracts reviewed/evaluated	8
Opinions rendered	7
Memos re. Notice of Disallowance	1
Others: Opening Sealed Canvass/Pre-Bid	1
Litigation	235
Hearing/s attended by Lawyers	13
Pleadings, memoranda & related documents prepared by Lawyers	8
Opinions, reports, requests, queries & communications prepared and sent by Lawyers	9
Certification issued to private importers relative to their application for MAV/Import License/Permit	1
Certifications/COC of no pending case	204
TOTAL	265

INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES

In April 2017, the following Audit Services were conducted:

I. AUDIT ENGAGEMENTS

- A. Special Audit of Procurement, Drying and Milling, Quality and Dispersal Operations in Pampanga, Tarlac and Laguna – on-going field audit
- B. Special Audit on Distribution/Misclassification, Cash Management, Collections, Deposits and Remittances, TOLA and Provident Fund in Quirino, Western Pangasinan, Eastern Pangasinan and Batangas.

II. Tolerable Allowance (TOLA)

- A. Issued 80 Certifications of Stock (Grains and MTS) Accountabilities of NFA officials and rank and file employees.

CORPORATE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Information Technology/Systems Development/SOPs

- As of April 30, 2017, the development of the Electronic Integrated Financial Operation and Management Information System (e-IFOMIS) is at 96.21%. This covers the program development, user's acceptance, trainings conducted and pilot implementation of the modules in the designated six pilot sites, including Central office.
- Implemented Stocks Transaction Module at NCR-EDO
- Approved SOP on the Amendment to the Revised SOP on Domestic Travel (TEV forms)

Corporate Planning

- Performance Agreement Negotiation for the 2017 Performance Scorecard with GCG-TWG
- Change Management Team – Initial evaluation on Central and Field offices' proposed restructuring plan.
- Drafting of NFA's Business Continuity Plan in preparation for the "Big One"
- Quarterly Performance Accomplishment Report
- MANCOM Meeting
- Joint MANCOM/EXCOM/RDs Meeting

Corporate Development and/or Evaluation:

1. Divestment of Assets: Complete Staff Work (CSW)
 - Updates on the 5-year divestment plan.
 - Partial Divestment of ACA Property in Valenzuela City
2. Evaluation
 - Asset Rationalization of NFA real properties in Region VI
3. Received NEDA's endorsement to the Korean ODA of proposed project entitled "Establishment of an ICT-Based Rice Buffer Stock Management System in the Philippines".

Monitoring and Reporting

- Visibility Reports from Field Offices – Liaison with LGUs and Congressmen
- LEAP Committee meetings : Drafted NFA version of Bill on NFA Strengthening Act.
- SONA – Attended meeting at Malacanang on required inputs for 2017

TRAININGS:

In April 2017, NFA facilitated the participation of 106 NFA officials and employees in 2 internal and 2 external trainings.

TITLE	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	DURATION
I. Internal Training I	104	
1 NFA Procurement Management Efficiency Enhancement Program (RA9184)	80	April 17-18 / April 19-20
2 Training on Provident Fund Computer System	24	29-Mar
II. External Training	2	
1 Manager's Role	1	April 20-21
2 PSAE Annual National Convention	1	April 23-29
TOTAL	106	

NFA PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT as of April 30, 2017

	No. of Positions
Regular Plantilla	3,750
Central Office	<u>505</u>
Executive	56
Rank & File	449
Field Office	<u>3,245</u>
Executive	101
Rank & File	3,144
CTI Personnel (Rank & File)	343
Central Office	64
Field Office	<u>279</u>
Total	<u><u>4,093</u></u>

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

1. News Releases

- ASEAN rice reserve available during emergencies
- NFA management devise strategies to ensure sufficient rice supply
- Additional rice needed for country's buffer stock
- High farm-gate price of palay hinders government buying
- NFA conducts workshop on government procurement system
- NFA to host 37th meeting of ASEAN Food Security Board
- NFA explains government to government rice importation

These merited publication in the following newspapers:

Manila Bulletin (3X), Phil. Daily Inquirer (2X), Malaya (2X), Bus. World, Phil. Star, Business Mirror, Manila Standard and ABS-CBN.com

- Letter to Ms. Anna Marie Pamintuan, Editor-in-chief, The Philippine Star re. clarification of the news story dated April 7, 2017 "Evasco, NFA feuding over rice importation?" by Jess Diaz with Louis Maureen Simeon.
- Special Communication Plan for Rice
- Text for Info Graphics:
 - Minimum Access Volume
 - Government to Government Rice Importation
- Attendance Report on Hotline 8888 project
- Attendance Report on Forum on Volunteerism
- Status Report on Food Guardian Advocacy campaign
- Posted 7 News Releases on the NFA Facebook page
 - Shared the following link to NFA Facebook page:
 - NFA balak mag-angkat ng bigas bilang reserba
 - Rice against time
 - NFA may buy palay at high price
 - NFA pegs deficit in government rice stocks at 490,800MT
 - NFA insists on additional imports
 - Replied to 85 queries on NFA Facebook Account
 - Daily Monitoring of NFA twitter account (@bigas_NFA, re-tweeting of news/links relevant to NFA

2. Monitored and clipped 158 news items on NFA corporate and agri-related issues and concerns, and provided copies to concerned NFA officials.