

# National Food Authority

## Accomplishment Report

March 2017

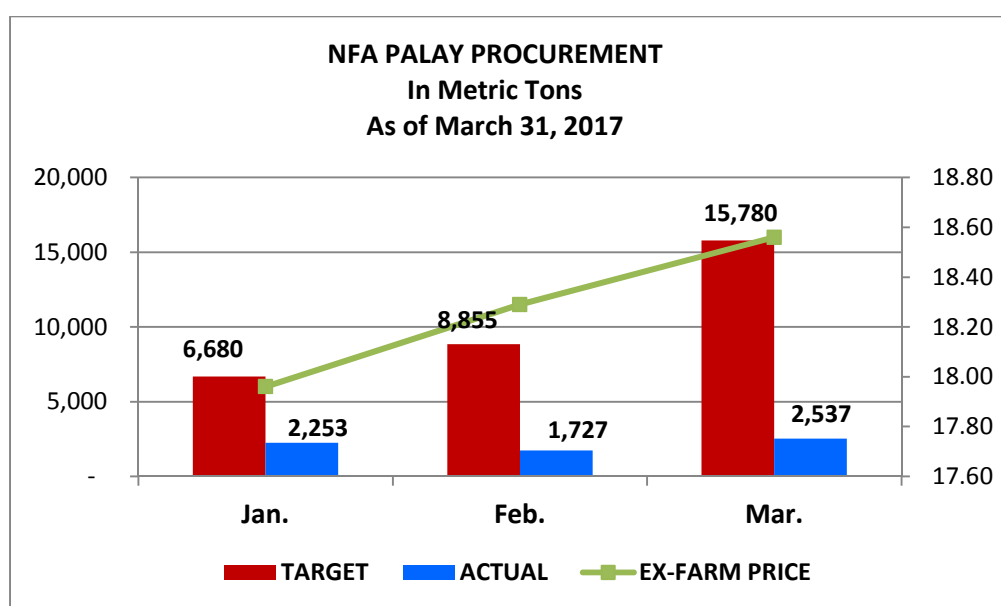


## MFO 1: STABLE SUPPLY AND PRICE OF STAPLE CEREALS

### PROCUREMENT

#### a. Palay

For the month of March 2017, NFA procured 2,537 MT of palay, which is 16% accomplishment of the month's target of 15,780 MT. The low procurement was due to the low production output during the period of summer crop harvest, and the higher prevailing farm-gate prices compared with the government buying price.



### DISTRIBUTION

For the month of March, NFA distributed 69,702 MT of rice, equivalent to 83.06% accomplishment of the target of 83,920 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, as it was the end of the main harvest season. NFA's buying price for palay is comparatively lower by ₱1.56/kg. 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.)

March 31, 2017

Commodity	NFA Buying Price	Ex-Farm Price	Price Diff. (In peso/kg)
Palay	17.00	18.56	<b>(1.56)</b>
YGN	12.30	11.41	<b>0.89</b>
WGN	13.00	13.14	<b>(0.14)</b>

Wholesale and retail prices of rice generally posted slight decreases of ₱0.01/kg and ₱0.62/kg for WMR, and at ₱0.06/kg. and ₱0.04/kg. for RMR, respectively. Yellow Corn manifested an increase of ₱0.51/kg. in wholesale price, but showed a ₱0.34/kg. decrease in retail price. White Corn posted a ₱1.15/kg. decrease in wholesale price, but showed a ₱1.33/kg. increase in retail price.

### Average Prevailing Wholesale/Retail Price of Rice and Corn

(Peso per Kg.)

March 31, 2017

Commodity	March	February	Price Diff in (Peso/Kg)
<b>Whole Sale</b>			
WMR	38.46	38.47	<b>(0.01)</b>
RMR	34.61	34.67	<b>(0.06)</b>
YGN	17.83	17.32	<b>0.51</b>
WGN	15.28	16.43	<b>(1.15)</b>
<b>Retail</b>			
WMR	41.00	41.62	<b>(0.62)</b>
RMR	37.05	37.09	<b>(0.04)</b>
YGN	22.60	22.94	<b>(0.34)</b>
WGN	27.67	26.34	<b>1.33</b>

## MFO 3: BUFFER STOCK OF STAPLE CEREALS EFFECTIVELY MANAGED

### RICE STOCK INVENTORY

As of March 31, 2017, NFA had a stock inventory of 6,544,707 bags (total rice equivalent – TRE) or 327,235.35 MT, good to last for 10 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 NFA stored grains assessed for the month of March is 7,068,538 bags, composed of palay, milled rice and corngrits, a decrease of 16.12% from the February volume of 8,426,481 bags. Stocks fit as food (rice) represent 99.97% of the total assessed grains. Stocks for disposition were 2,081.4 bags (0.030%), composed of sweepings and partially damaged stocks, and 159.9 bags (0.002%) of totally damaged milled rice.

<b>CLASSIFICATION/ CONDITION OF STOCKS</b>	<b>Quantity (in 50-kg bags)</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE (%)</b>
Good Quality (GQ)	3,880,505.5	54.898
Treated	3,182,590.3	45.025
For treatment	3,201.6	0.045
Total for Disposition	2,081.4	
-Sweepings	1,363.2	0.019
-Partially Damaged	718.2	0.011
Totally Damaged	159.9	0.002
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,068,538.7</b>	<b>100%</b>

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

**REGISTERED/LICENSED GRAINS BUSINESSMEN**

For the month of March, NFA registered and licensed 10,804 applicants, 77 of whom availed of the two-year (2018-2019) advance-license scheme. Total R/L collections on grains business activities amounted to ₱25,378,695.85, which include collection from mobile licensing amounting to ₱1,754,678.61, and ₱266,885.75 from advance license collections. 1,481 metal plates were issued/sold for ₱296,200. The R/L fees comprised 51.18% of the annual targeted collection of ₱161M.

<b>PARTICULARS</b>	
<b>R/L Fees Collection</b>	<b>25,378,695.85</b>
<b>Mobile Licensing</b>	<b>1,754,678.61</b>
<b>Advance Collections (2018-2020)</b>	<b>266,885.75</b>
2018 Applicants: 46	160,694.50
2019 Applicants: 30	105,971.25
2019 Applicants: 1	220.00
<b>No. of R/L Applicants</b>	<b>10,804</b>
<b>METAL PLATES (@ P200/pc)</b>	
- No. of Issuances of Metal Plates	1,481
- Amount	296,200.00

### **UGNAYANs (Farmers' Assembly)**

For the month of March, 18 UGNAYANs were conducted, participated in by 438 NFA stakeholders.

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</b>	<b>ACCOMPLISHMENT</b>
UGNAYANs conducted	18
Participants	438

### **CUSTOMER-ASSISTANCE**

Through its nationwide Customer-Assistance Units (CAU), NFA responded to/assisted 1,050 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**

<b>SUMMARY OF CAU SERVICES</b>	<b>ACCOMPLISHMENT</b>
Inquiries	194
Requests	851
Complaints	5
<b>Total Assistance Rendered</b>	<b>1,050</b>

### **PHIL. GRAINS STANDARDIZATION PROGRAM (PGSP)**

To check whether the PGSP Rules and Regulations are strictly observed, 370 Grains Business Establishments were inspected. 82 Trainings and seminars to advocate PGSP rules and regulations were conducted, participated in by 215 NFA Stakeholders.

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</b>	<b>ACCOMPLISHMENT</b>
Grains Business Establishment Inspected	370
Meetings/Seminars/Trainings; Number conducted	82
Number of Participants	215
Press Releases made	13
PGSP Violation cases filed	-

### **NFA PRIVATE SECTOR RICE IMPORTATION**

NFA issued licenses to 31 importers: issued to 21 grains businessmen and 10 farmer organizations.

<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATOR</b>	<b>ACCOMPLISHMENT</b>
Number of NFA Licensed Importers	31
- Farmer Organizations	10
- Other Sectors (Non-Farmers)	21

## **FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

### **Testing**

For the month, FDC performed 17 physical and sensory evaluation, 222 chemical analysis, 138 microbiological, and 6 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
  - Coconut cream
  - Jellyfish balls
  - Meat project

### **Quality Assurance**

- Implemented 1 Pilot-Plant project for the month of March.
- Conducted inspection of 10 food manufacturing plants and issue compliance certificates.

### **Training Programs**

- Implemented 6 training courses to the food industry and government agencies
- Developed 16 training course materials

### **Industry Liaison**

- Evaluated 49 clients' technical inquiries and recommendations and FDC's analyses/services to meet international standards
- Maintained FDC website and FDC wifi network
- Monitored and delivered 200 FDC reports to stakeholders

### **ISO Compliance**

- Implemented 20 QA activities for testing laboratories (Filth Laboratory)
- Monitored, reviewed and verified 16 effectiveness of written ISO documents
- Prepared 3 audit reports for ISO 9001:2008

## **LEGAL AFFAIRS**

For the month, 436 activities pertaining to adjudication, documentation and litigation were undertaken:

<b>Adjudication</b>	<b>38</b>
Opinions, memoranda & communications letters issued and served	8
Served S.O. and case folders to H.O. and Prosecutors	9
Order issued and served to Pros. And Respondents	6
Notice of pre-hearing conference	3
Pre-hearing conference	1
Pre-Hearing Brief/s issued and served	1
Motion for change of venue	1
Motion of Occular inspection of the alleged Palay that alleged did not conform with the required specifications	1
Case folder & Statement of Violations issued & served to Respondents	3
Position paper for the prosecution served to H.O. & Respondent	1
Position Paper for the Respondents served to H.O. & Pros.	1
Docketed Case/s	1
Investigative Report issued and served to CODI	1
Special order designating staff lawyers as H.O. and Pros. Transmitted to AO for approval	1
<b>Documentation &amp; Legal Research</b>	<b>46</b>
Contracts reviewed/evaluated	4
Opinions rendered	23
Memos re. Notice of Disallowance	17
Others: Opening Sealed Canvass/Pre-Bid	2
<b>Litigation</b>	<b>352</b>
Hearing/s attended by Lawyers	17
Pleadings, memoranda & related documents prepared by Lawyers	16
Certifications issued to Private Importers (MAV-CSQ)	1
Decision/s Issued by courts on favor of NFA	3
Opinions, reports, requests, queries & communications prepared and sent by Lawyers	26
Certifications/COC of no pending case	289
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>436</b>

## **INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES**

In March 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.
- B. Special Audit on Distribution, Cash Management, Collections, Deposits and Remittances, TOLA and Provident Fund in Nueva Viscaya, Eastern Pangasinan, Western Pangasinan, Quirino and Batangas.

### **II. Tolerable Allowance (TOLA)**

- A. Issued 103 Certifications of Stock (Grains and MTS) Accountabilities of NFA officials and rank and file employees.

## **CORPORATE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

### **Information Technology**

- As of March 31, 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.

### **Corporate Planning**

- Validation/Finalization of 2016 Performance Scorecard Annual Accomplishment Report.
- MANCOM Meeting
- 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"

### **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. Got 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 March 2017, NFA facilitated the participation of 88 NFA officials and employees in 2 internal and 4 external trainings.

<b>TITLE</b>	<b>NO. OF PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>DURATION</b>
<b>I. Internal Training I</b>	<b>107</b>	
1 New employee orientation course	19	Mar. 14-15
2 Forum on women empowerment	48	Mar. 28
3 GIP/OJT Orientation	40	Mar. 29
<b>II. External Training</b>	<b>21</b>	
1 e-govt Project Management	1	Mar. 27-31
2 Process Optimization through Design Exp	1	Mar. 20
3 Seminar on protocol and graces	16	Mar. 30-31
4 Supervisory for Effectiveness	1	Mar. 28-30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>128</b>	

### **NFA PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT as of March 31, 2017**

	<b>No. of Positions</b>
<b>Regular Plantilla</b>	<b>3,764</b>
<b>Central Office</b>	<b><u>505</u></b>
Executive	56
Rank & File	449
<b>Field Office</b>	<b><u>3,259</u></b>
Executive	104
Rank & File	3,155
<b>CTI Personnel (Rank &amp; File)</b>	<b>344</b>
Central Office	64
Field Office	<u>280</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u><u>4,108</u></u></b>

## **PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

1. News and Photo Releases
  - NFA intensifies palay procurement
  - NFA Administrator stands by decision not to extend MAV import arrivals
  - NFA declares no extension in arrival of MAV rice imports
  - Decision not to extend MAV rice arrivals intended to protect local farmers
  - NFA officials welcome rice import probe
  - NFA steps up palay buying strategies
  - NFA seeks Concil approval of rice import for food security
  - NFA implements corporate management reforms
  - NFA conducts strategic planning to ensure sufficient rice supply
  - NFA to provide best quality rice for relief operations
  - NFA needs rice imports for food security buffer stock
  - Photo release – Farmer groups support non-extension of rice arrivals under MAV
2. Message of Adm. Jason Laureano Y. Aquino at the Philippine Rice Research Institute (PhilRice) for Dry Season 2017 Lakbay Palay, Maligaya, Science City of Munoz, Nueva Ecija.
3. Monitored and clipped 147 news items on NFA corporate and agri-related issues and concerns, and provided copies to concerned NFA officials.