

***PHILIPPINES' INITIATIVES  
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION  
OF CBD-ARTICLE 11  
“INCENTIVES MEASURES”***

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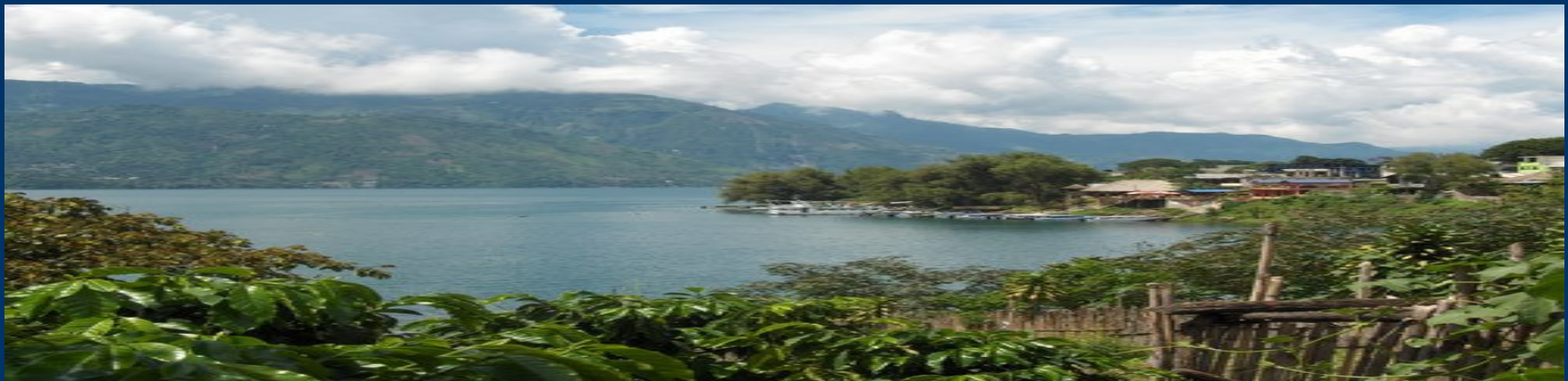
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# 1. User's Fee

- **Environmental User Fee System (EUFS) within the Laguna de Bay region.**
  - **The system is essentially a market-based instrument (MBI) that applies the “Polluters Pay Principle” and serves as an economic means to force polluters to reduce/abate water pollution while instituting remedial measures within their establishment. The authority to introduce such system is drawn from Presidential Decree 813 and Executive Order 927.**
  - **applied in all areas covered by the Laguna de Bay Watershed**
  - **a system where fee is paid for the amount of pollution discharges into the lake**
  - **the fee also covers the administrative cost of implementing the environmental user fee system**



# *Why UEFS implemented*

- to influence voluntary action of many industrial firms towards sharing the burden of environmental trust fund;
- to make people see more clearly the direct connection between their daily lives and impact on the water quality of the lake; and
- to force the companies to minimize the level of pollution in their waste water discharges



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## ***2. Integrated Protected Area Fund for Protected Areas (PAs)***

- a trust fund for the purpose of promoting sustainable financing of established PAs under the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS-RA 7586)
- the funds may receive revenues generated within PAs, donor support and other funds (e.g. endowment) as provided under the NIPAS law, and to disburse the same to finance programs/projects of the NIPAS
- It supports the principle of an incentive measures for biodiversity conservation and protection



### ***3. Incentives for Private Sector in Wildlife Breeding or Farming***

- There is representation of stakeholders, with the international and local communities involved in wildlife breeding/farming;
- The computation of export fee per commodity (from 10% to 3%);
- The establishment of an express processing system for the issuance of CITES permit and wildlife certification at PAWB; and
- The issuance of wildlife farm permit (WFP), particularly, in the case of monkey species shall be limited to the members of PEBAP



## ***4. Incentives for the Floriculture Industry***

### ***Guidelines on Self-regulation of the Floriculture Industry for the Sustainable Management of Philippine Wild Flora***

#### **General Objective**

**Empower the floriculture industry thru self- monitoring & compliance on the production & utilization of endemic/indigenous wild flora & CITES-listed species**



## ..... *Specific Objectives*

- Establish an accreditation system for individuals, establishments, or community-based organizations engaged in the artificial propagation & trade of endemic/indigenous economically important wild flora & the CITES-listed plants;
- Establish & strengthen partnership between the DENR (government) & the floriculture industry;
- Support the development of livelihood based activity on the sustainable use of endemic/indigenous wild flora; and
- Provide incentives to the floriculture industry & generate support for the sustainable management of Philippine wild flora



# Privileges & incentives of holders of Certificates of Accreditation under Self-regulation system

- Official Receipts (ORs) to be issued by the holders of Certificate of Accreditations shall be honored as Local Transport Permits (LTPs);
- to receive CITES Permit forms from the DENR thru PAWB for issuance of CITES permits to buyers/clients;
- to engage in trade and export of plants in the inventory/list;
- exemption from CITES Permits for spores, seeds, pollens, seedlings, tissue cultures, cut flowers, parts of artificially propagated plants; and
- recognition & promotion as an accredited individual, establishment or institution





## *Privileges & incentives of holders of Certificates of Accreditation*

- recognition by the international community
- Grounds for suspension of the CA
- Grounds for Cancellation of the CA
- Collection of Wild Plants from the Natural Forests or Natural Habitat
  - only the accredited ones shall be allowed to collect under a Wild Flora Collector's Permit
- Monitoring of Activities
- Capacity Building & Awareness Programs



## **5. COMMUNITY-BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (CBFMAs)**

- **Executive Order 263 – is the national policy on CFP/CBFM (forest/public land)**
    - a forest management program of the DENR which grants rights to organize forest communities to manage, develop and utilize forest resources on a sustainable basis
    - Local communities participating have equal access to the forest land resources under a long-term tenurial agreements
  - **DENR Administrative Order NO. 2004-32 “Revised Guidelines on the Establishment and Management of Community Based Program in Protected Areas (PACBRMAs):**
    - promote the conservation of biodiversity and sustainable development in protected areas and buffer zones in order to maintain ecological processes and life support systems which will enhance peoples’ capacity to sustain human life and development, as well as plants and animals
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## **6. *Perverse Incentives***

- **DENR Reforestation/Afforestation Program (PD 705 in 1975) – encourages the use of fast-growing tree species in the gov't reforestation/afforestation program (e.g. Gmelina arborea, Acacia auriculiformis, Acacia mangium... to name a few).**
    - **Over the years, however, there were negative effects related to established monocultures & its environmental impacts, e.g. pests/diseases, water-use regime**
  - **Republic Act 9147 (Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act of 2001) – specifically prohibits exotics in PAs & critical habitats**
  - **DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2008-04 - Upland Development Program (UDP) encourages the use of endemics/indigenous species**
  - **DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2009-03 – Supplemental guidelines and procedures in the implementation of the UDP**
  - **DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2009-04 – Addendum to the DMC 20049-03 for the use of endemics/indigenous species.**
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***THANK YOU &  
GOOD DAY TO ALL***

