

National Food Authority

Accomplishment Report

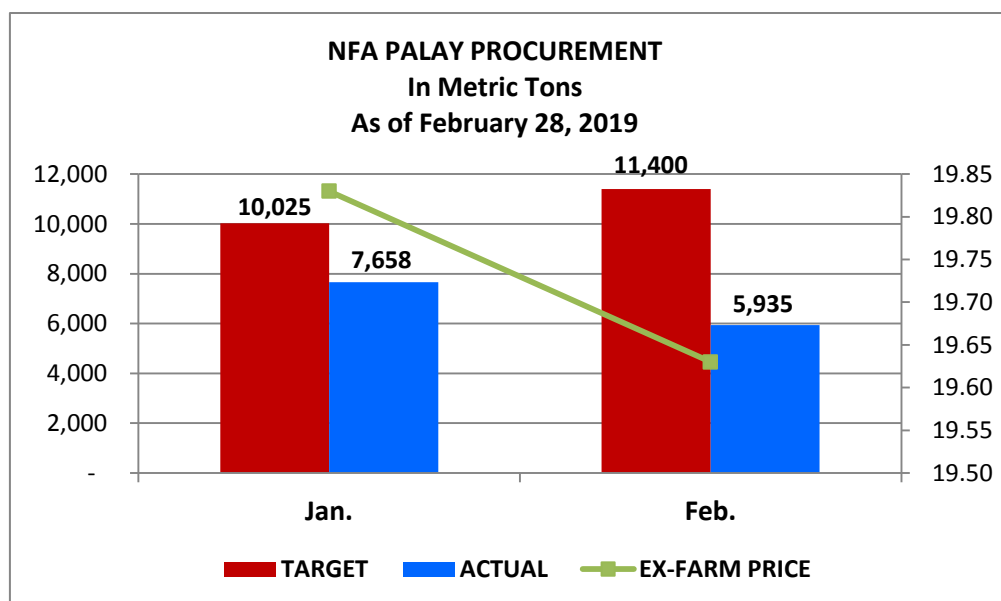
February 2019



MFO 1: STABLE SUPPLY AND PRICE OF STAPLE CEREALS

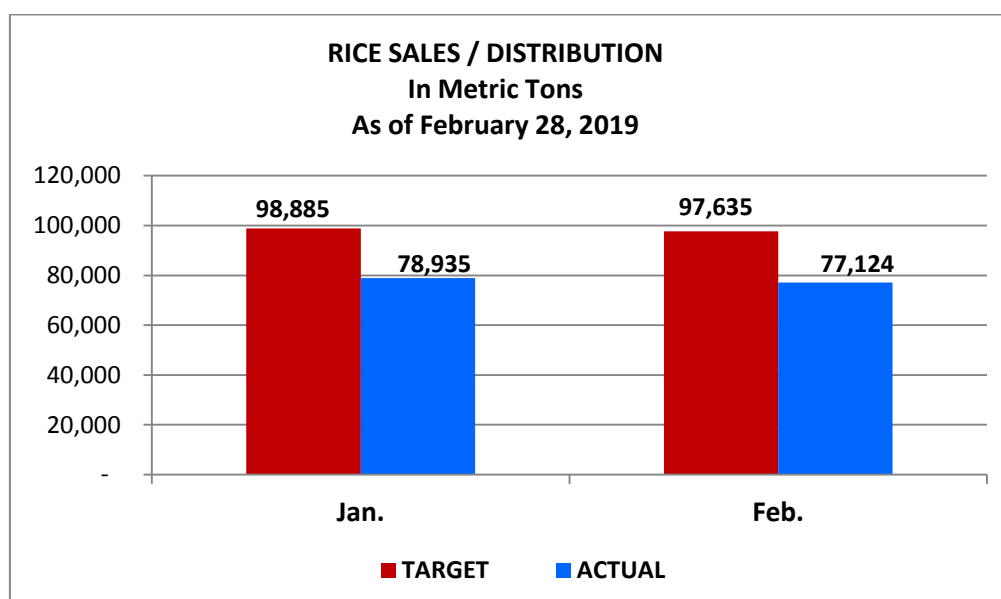
PROCUREMENT

For the month of February 2019, NFA procured 5,935 MT of palay, which is 52.06% accomplishment of the month's target of 11,400 MT. The decrease in procurement can be attributed to the end of the main harvest season, where there were no more/very minimal available palay stocks to procure.



DISTRIBUTION

For the month of February, NFA distributed 77,124 MT of rice, equivalent to 79.83% accomplishment of the month's target of 97,635 MT.



PRICES

Based on the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) summary of commercial palay/rice prices, the average ex-farm price posted a decrease of ₱0.20 from last month's price of ₱19.83 to ₱19.63 for this month, NFA's buying price for palay is comparatively lower by ₱2.63/kg., compared to the prevailing farmgate price level. NFA's buying prices for yellow, and white corn were lower by ₱1.56/kg., ₱1.55/kg., respectively.

Average Ex-Farm Prices vs NFA Buying Price

(Price per kg.)

February 28, 2019

Commodity	NFA Buying Price	Ex-Farm Price	Price Diff. (In peso/kg)
Palay	17.00	19.63	(2.63)
YGN	12.30	13.86	(1.56)
WGN	13.00	14.55	(1.55)

Starting October 12, 2018 NFA buys at ₱20.70/kg which consists of basic buying price of palay at ₱17.00/kg with additional incentives of ₱0.30 for CDIF, ₱0.20 for delivery fee, ₱0.20 for drying fee and ₱3.00 for Buffer Stocking.

Both wholesale and retail prices of WMR and RMR posted decreases of ₱0.31/kg. and ₱0.40/kg. in the wholesale level, and ₱0.57/kg. and ₱0.53/kg. in retail level, respectively. For yellow corn, wholesale and retail prices, manifested decreases of ₱0.83/kg. and ₱0.69/kg. respectively, but showed slight increases of ₱0.28/kg. in wholesale and ₱0.10/kg. in retail level.

Average Prevailing Wholesale/Retail Price of Rice and Corn

(Peso per Kg.)

February 28, 2019

Commodity	February	January	Price Diff in (Peso/Kg)
Whole Sale			
WMR	41.29	41.60	0.31
RMR	37.90	38.47	0.57
YGN	19.47	20.30	0.83
WGN	21.03	20.75	(0.28)
Retail			
WMR	44.69	45.09	0.40
RMR	40.88	41.41	0.53
YGN	24.72	25.41	0.69
WGN	28.22	28.12	(0.10)

MFO 3: BUFFER STOCK OF STAPLE CEREALS EFFECTIVELY MANAGED

RICE STOCK INVENTORY

As of February 28, 2019, NFA stock inventory of 9,838,804 bags (total rice equivalent – TRE) or 491,940.20 MT, is good to last for 15.09 days, based on the 2018 national daily rice consumption requirement of 32,013 MT, while based on the Average Daily Sales (ADS) of 3,589.75 MT, at a market participation of 11.01%, NFA stocks is expected to last for 137.04 days.

NATIONAL QUALITY ASSESSMENT (QSAR) OF NFA STOCKS

The total volume of NFA stored grains assessed as of the end of February 2019 was 10,024,963.10 bags, composed of palay, milled rice and corngrains, an increase of 60% from the January 2019 volume of 6,262,814 bags. Stocks fit as food (rice) and feed (corn) represent 99.997% of the total assessed grains. Stocks for disposition were 284.60 bags (0.003%) composed of 93.00 bags (0.001%) partially damaged stocks, and 191.60 bags (0.002%) of totally damaged milled rice.

CLASSIFICATION/ CONDITION OF STOCKS	Quantity (in 50-kg bags)	PERCENTAGE (%)
Good Quality (GQ)	9,909,279.80	98.846
Treated	115,398.70	1.151
For treatment	0.00	0.000
Total for Disposition	284.60	
-Sweepings	0.00	0.000
-Partially Damaged	93.00	0.001
Totally Damaged	191.60	0.002
TOTAL	10,024,963.10	100%

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

REGISTERED/LICENSED GRAINS BUSINESSMEN

For the month of February, NFA registered and licensed 11,335 applicants, 205 of whom availed of the three-year (2019-2021) advance-license scheme. Total R/L collections on grains business activities amounted to ₱27,522,326.85, which include collection from mobile licensing amounting to ₱1,173,211.05, and ₱487,575.35 from advance license collections. 875 metal plates were issued/sold for ₱175,000. The R/L fees collected is 42.75% of the annual targeted collection of ₱152M.

PARTICULARS	
R/L Fees Collection	27,522,326.85
Mobile Licensing	1,173,211.05
Advance Collections (2019-2021)	487,575.35
2019 Applicants: 110	79,090.00
2020 Applicants: 93	408,045.35
2021 Applicants: 2	440.00
No. of R/L Applicants	11,335
METAL PLATES (@ P200/pc)	
- No. of Issuances of Metal Plates	875
- Amount	175,000.00

UGNAYANS (Farmers' Assembly)

For the month of February, 21 UGNAYANS were conducted, participated in by 514 NFA stakeholders.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACCOMPLISHMENT
UGNAYANS conducted	21
Participants	514

CUSTOMER-ASSISTANCE

Through its nationwide Customer-Assistance Units (CAU), NFA responded to/assisted 4,703 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. 6 complaints were also received mostly on availability of NFA rice, and have been addressed/referred to appropriate NFA field offices, respectively.

Type of Assistance Rendered

SUMMARY OF CAU SERVICES	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Inquiries	2,351
Requests	2,350
Complaints	2
Total Assistance Rendered	4,703

PHIL. GRAINS STANDARDIZATION PROGRAM (PGSP)

To check whether the PGSP Rules and Regulations are strictly observed, 5,921 Grains Business Establishments were inspected. Some 2,205 trainings and seminars to advocate PGSP rules and regulations were conducted, participated in by 7,311 NFA Stakeholders and 46 press releases were made.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Grains Business Establishment Inspected	5,921
Meetings/Seminars/Trainings;	
Number conducted	2,205
Number of Participants	7,311
Press Releases made	46
PGSP Violation cases filed	-

NFA PRIVATE SECTOR RICE IMPORTATION

NFA issued/renewed 2 licenses to importers for this month. Import licenses are different from import permits issued for MAV.

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	ACCOMPLISHMENT
Number of NFA Licensed Importers	2
- Farmer Organizations	1
- Other Sectors (Non-Farmers)	1

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).

INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES

In February 2019, the following Audit Services were conducted:

I. AUDIT ENGAGEMENTS

- A. Special Audit on Distribution in Region XIII (SDO & NDO) – Audit Report completed
Region XIII (Cavite) – Audit report for finalization
- B. e-IFOMIS TOLA Module Implementation in Batangas & Laguna – Rolling-out On-going
- C. Fact finding Investigation Team to conduct investigation on Alleged NFA issues/regularities raised during the 2/27/2018 Senate Hearing – ON-going
- D. Milling Committee Report for the Validation on the Alleged Misclassified Palay in NFA Maguindanao – Report submitted to AO.
- E. Review of computation of Perpetual Leave Cards – 7 completed and 10 on-going

II. Tolerable Allowance (TOLA)

- A. Issued 13 Certifications of Stock (Grains and MTS) Accountabilities of NFA officials and rank and file employees.
- B. Entertained queries from different NFA Regional Offices regarding TOLA matters.

FOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Testing

For the month of February, FDC performed 11 physical and sensory evaluation, 283 chemical analysis, four micro analytical, and 35 microbiological 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
 - Prepared project proposals on Arsenic in Rice, Mycotoxin in Rice, Heavy Metals in Rice, LRME

Quality Assurance

- Implemented one Pilot Plant project
- Conducted five inspections of food manufacturing plants and issue compliance certificate

Training Programs

- Implemented three training courses to the food industry and Government agencies.
- Developed/Improved five training course materials.
- Prepared evaluation reports on the implementation of three training courses.

Industry Liaison

- Evaluated 61 clients' technical needs and requirements of industry clients.
- Maintained FDC website and FDC wifi network
- Monitored and delivered 155 FDC technical reports to stakeholders

ISO Compliance

- Implemented 12 QA activities for testing laboratories.
- Prepared one audit report for ISO 9001:2015

LEGAL AFFAIRS

For the month, 245 activities pertaining to adjudication, documentation and litigation were undertaken, details of which are as follows:

LEGAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

As of February 28, 2019

Adjudication	24
Pre-Hearing Conference/Formal Hearing Conducted	12
Submission of Position Papers, Memoranda, and other pleadings	1
Support Functions	6
Personnel Action	2
Report Compliance	2
Actions on requests for certification from CO and Fos	1
Documentation & Legal Research	24
Contracts reviewed/evaluated	5
Opinions rendered	4
Opening of sealed canvass	4
Pre-Bid Conference (TWG)/Post Qualification	4
Notice of Disallowance	7
Litigation	197
Hearing/s attended by Lawyers	24
Pleadings, memoranda & related documents prepared by Lawyers	7
Opinions, reports, requests, queries & communications prepared and sent by Lawyers	29
Certifications/COC of no pending case	137
TOTAL	245

CORPORATE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Information Technology/Systems Development/SOPs

- As of February 28, 2019, Implementation and training of RAOs and PAOs for HURIS, still on-going, all in awareness of the Data Privacy Act of 2012. Firewall appliance, as required in the HURIS access, were also installed and configured.
- To date, the development of the Electronic Integrated Financial Operation and Management Information System (e-IFOMIS) is at 96.99%. This covers the evaluation and validation of the results of pilot listings.

Corporate Planning

- Preparation and Submission of NFA Performance Scorecard (4th Quarter 2018)
- Attended meeting with GCG re. NFA restructuring
- Preparatory works in relation to IRR provisions pertinent to NFA rice bill
- Attended meeting on Optimal Level of Buffer Stocking
- Prepared request letter to GCG re. Exemption from MC 2015-04

Corporate Development and/or Evaluation:

1. Divestment of Assets
 - a. On-going Complete Staff Work (CSW)
 - Terminal Report on the Proposed Partial Divestment of NFA-NDO property

Monitoring and Reporting

- Visibility Reports from Field Offices – Liaison with LGUs and Congressmen.

LEAP

- Attended

TRAININGS:

In February 2019, NFA facilitated the participation of 24 NFA officials and employees in 1 internal and 3 external trainings.

TITLE	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	DURATION
I. Internal Training	20	
1 Local Training on National Agri Industry System	20	28-Feb
II. External Training	4	
1 Supervisory Development Course Track 1	1	Feb. 26 - 28
2 48th Pre Judicature Program	1	Feb. 11 - 22
3 Seminar on the Fundamentals of Cooperative	2	Feb. 21 - 22
TOTAL	24	

NFA PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT as of February 28, 2019

No. of Positions

Regular Plantilla	3,840
Central Office	<u>519</u>
Executive	50
Rank & File	469
Field Office	<u>3,321</u>
Executive	107
Rank & File	3,214
CTI Personnel (Rank & File)	277
Central Office	49
Field Office	<u>228</u>
Total	<u><u>4,117</u></u>

ENFORCEMENT AND INVESTIGATION

The nationwide enforcement accomplishment for the month of February 2019, 14,663 applicants/establishments/warehouses inspected, 380 grains businessmen were apprehended, 290 apprehensions/violations were resolved. A total of ₱257,850 administrative fees/penalties were collected.

PARTICULARS	
1. No. of applicants/establishments/warehouse inspected	14,663
2. No. of grains businessmen apprehended	380
3. No. of apprehensions/violations resolved	290
4. Total fees collected	₱ 257,850

Nationwide Regional/Provincial Consolidated Report on “Task Force NFA Kontra Abuso”

For the “Task Force NFA Kontra Abuso” for the period February 1-28, 2019, of 26 complaints received, 21 complaints referred/forwarded to the concerned field offices, one complaint still pending with the concerned field office, one complaint subject for SSID investigation, and three not related to NFA.

PARTICULARS	
1. No. of text messages received	20
2. No. of calls received	6
3. No. of e-mail received	0
TOTAL	26

Actions taken:

PARTICULARS	
1. No. of complaints resolved	21
2. No. of complaints still pending with the concerned field offices	1
3. No. of complaints subject for SSID investigation	1
4. No. of complaints not NFA related	3

CONTRIBUTION TO THE ECONOMY:

For the month of February 2019, NFA contributed ₱274,546,832.58 to the country's economy in terms of the following increase in economic activities.

PARTICULARS		AMOUNT
1.	Palay Procurement	102,055,941.15
2.	Corn Procurement	-
3.	Rent Expenses	2,861,851.68
4.	Transportation & Deliveries Expenses	69,019,699.28
5.	Storage	-
6.	General Services	2,541,671.62
7.	Janitorial Services	27,419.00
8.	Security Services	19,343,988.35
9.	Drying	2,813,784.80
10.	Milling	537.24
11.	Handling	47,897,340.33
12.	Tax Witheld from Employees' Compensation	8,228,803.30
13.	Tax Witheld from Suppliers of Goods & Services	19,755,795.83
TOTAL		274,546,832.58

Per trial balance of February, 2019

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

1. News Releases

- NFA expands rice distribution outlets
- NFA buys 146,319 bags of palay in January
- NFA gets Very Satisfactory rating from farmers, retailers
- NFA not against rice tariffication
- Farmer leaders clarify that they were present during audience with Pres. Duterte (as requested by Mr. Edwin Paraluman)

These releases merited publication in the following newspapers:

Phil. Star (4X), Manila Bulletin (2X), and Business World

2. Photo Releases

- Tagpuan day for Mangyan Community
- Tagpuan day in Mindoro Oriental

3. Freedom of Information (FOI): Processed two requests

- The number of goods supply in the Philippines, which was denied/referred to appropriate agency, because the requested data/info are not within the Agency's coverage.
- Monthly report of wholesale and retail price of rice, corn and palay (which was referred to the Phil. Statistics Authority for complete data/info).

4. Replied to 280 queries on NFA Facebook Account
5. Maintained NFA Facebook Account. Posted/reposted press releases and news articles related to NFA particularly on the NFA rice distribution, palay procurement, employees protest on NFA abolition, market inspection, Rice tariffication and lobbying against SB 1998.
6. Shared/posted 73 news articles/press releases
 - Added 25 new friends (total 2710)
7. Monitored NFA Twitter account @bigas_NFA
8. Monitored and clipped 289 news items on NFA corporate and agri-related issues and concerns and provided copies to concerned NFA officials.