



FY 2018 Accomplishment Report

For 2018, the NCI-SRD focused its efforts on developing and fine-tuning development plans to chart the directions of the organization in the next five (5) years. These development plans include the NCI-SRD Roadmap for CY 2018-2030, NCI-SRD Secretariat Strategic Plans for FY 2018-2022, Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) Manual of Operations, and the NCI-SRD National Capacity Development Plan for FY 2018-2022. These plans have been recalibrated to align with the strategies under Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2017-2022. Chapter 8 (Expanding Economic Opportunities in Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries) of the PDP stipulates that an overall strategy to expand economic opportunities in the agriculture, forestry and fisheries (AFF) is to “complement strategic efforts with environmental and governance strategies.” More specifically, Chapter 8 explicitly states that in order “to strengthen the efficiency and effectiveness of the strategies, the government will “continue to pursue the national convergence initiative using the ridge-to-reef approach.”

Towards this end, 11 major accomplishments were made for the year, namely:

1. Issuance of ten (10) NCI-SRD Joint Resolutions of the National Steering Committee (NSC), composed of the DA-DAR-DENR-DILG Department Secretaries which are as follows;
 - a. Recommending for the Endorsement of the Consolidated Budget for the Ligawasan Marsh for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 under the General Appropriations Act (GAA) and Requesting the National Steering Committee (NSC) to Source Out Funds of Proposed Plans and Projects Outside of the GAA;
 - b. Designation of the Master in Public Management Major in Rural Development Scholarship Program Graduates as Members of the National and Regional Technical Working Groups/Component Working Groups of the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development;
 - c. Adopting "One Convergence Area per Region" Policy;
 - d. Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Accomplishment Report for FY 2017;
 - e. Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Annual Operational Plans for FY 2018;
 - f. Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Plans and Budget Proposals for FY 2019;
 - g. Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) Manual of Operations and Directing the NCI-SRD Secretariat to Publish and Cascade the NCI-SRD CADP Manual of Operations to the NCI-SRD Stakeholders;



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- h. Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Secretariat Strategic Plans and Targets For FY 2018-2022;
- i. Directing the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) Central Visayas to Fund and Implement the Carood Watershed Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) for FY 2018-2022; and
- j. Directing the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) Zamboanga Peninsula to Fund and Implement the Convergence Area Development Plans (CADPs) of the Municipalities of Bayog, Dumingag and Kumalarang in Zamboanga del Sur, and the Municipality of Tungawan in Zamboanga Sibugay for FY 2018-2022.

Other details of the resolutions are found in **Annex A**.

2. Eleven (11) NCI-SRD Joint Resolutions have been approved at the Alternate National Steering Committee (ANSC) level, composed of the Undersecretaries from DA-DAR-DENR-DILG, awaiting final approval from the NSC. These are as follows:
 - a. NCI-SRD Roadmap for 2018-2030;
 - b. NCI-SRD National Capacity Development Plan for FY 2018-2022;
 - c. Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) of Pili Watershed;
 - d. Directing the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) Western Visayas to Proceed with the Preparation and Formulation of the Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) of Central Antique Covering the Municipalities of Patnongon, Bugasong, Laua-an, Barbaza and Valderrama;
 - e. Directing the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) Caraga to Proceed with the Preparation and Formulation of the Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) of Sambonotan Watershed Covering the Municipalities of Loreto and Tubajon, Dinagat Islands;
 - f. Directing the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) Caraga to Proceed with the Preparation and Formulation of the Convergence Area Development Plan (CADP) of Zamboanga City and Siocon, Zamboanga del Norte;
 - g. Directing the Regional Convergence Initiative Technical Working Group (RCI TWG) Northern Mindanao to Fund and Implement the Mt. Balatucan Range Cluster of Misamis Oriental and Mt. Inayawan-Illana and Royal Clusters of Lanao del Norte Convergence Area Development Plans for FY 2019-2023; and
 - h. Inclusion of the NCI-SRD Activities in the Individual Performance Commitment and Review (IPCR), and Division IPCR (DPCR) and Office PCR (OPCR) of NCI-SRD National and Regional Members.
 - i. Approving the NCI-SRD FY 2018 Accomplishment Report.
 - j. Approving the NCI-SRD FY 2019 Annual Operational Plan.



- k. Approving the NCI-SRD FY 2020 Plans and Budget Proposals
3. NCI-SRD CADP Manual of Operations;
4. NCI-SRD Secretariat Strategic Plans and Targets for FY 2018-2022;
5. NCI-SRD Roadmap for 2018-2030;
6. NCI-SRD National Capacity Development Plan for FY 2018-2022;
7. NCI-SRD-Department of National Defense Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on the Bamboo Plantation Project in the Fort Magsaysay Military Reservation (FMMR) in Nueva Ecija;
8. NCI-SRD Joint Memorandum Order (JMO) No. 01: Guidelines for the Identification, Review and Audit of Conflicting and Overlapping Laws, Policies and Programs of the NCI-SRD;”
9. Publication of the NCI-SRD Digests (January to June; July to December 2018);
10. Approval of nine (9) CADPs, namely:
 - a. Carood Watershed Convergence Area;
 - b. Bayog, Zamboanga del Sur;
 - c. Dumingag, Zamboanga del Sur;
 - d. Kumalarang, Zamboanga del Sur;
 - e. Tungawan, Zamboanga Sibugay;
 - f. Pili Watershed Convergence Area;
 - g. Mt. Balatucan Range Cluster, Misamis Oriental;
 - h. Mt. Inayawan-Illana Cluster, Lanao del Norte; and
 - i. Royal Cluster, Lanao del Norte.
11. Approval of four (4) new convergence areas, namely:
 - a. Central Antique Covering the Municipalities of Patnongon, Bugasong, Lauaan, Barbaza and Valderrama;
 - b. Sambonotan Watershed Covering the Municipalities of Loreto and Tubajon, Dinagat Islands;
 - c. Ayala Watershed, Zamboanga City; and
 - d. Siocon, Zamboanga del Norte.

I. NCI-SRD Major Activities

The following 13 major activities were conducted for the year:

1. NCI-SRD FY 2017 Assessment and FY 2018/2019 Operational Planning Workshop held last 26 February to 01 March 2018 in Tagaytay City;
2. NCI-SRD Secretariat Strategic Planning Workshop for FY 2018-2022 held last 19-23 March 2018 in Dumaguete City;
3. Luzon Island Public Consultation on the NCI-SRD Roadmap held last 21-23 March 2018 in Quezon City;
4. Visayas Island Public Consultation on the NCI-SRD Roadmap held last 26-28 March 2018 in Dauis, Bohol;



5. Capacity Building Needs Assessment Workshop held last 3-6 April 2018 in Subic Bay, Zambale
6. Mindanao Island Public Consultation on the NCI-SRD Roadmap held last 11-13 April in Davao City;
7. NCI-SRD Roadmap Writeshop held last 14-15 June 2018 at DAR Central Office, Quezon City;
8. NCI-SRD National Capacity Development Plan Workshop held last 18-22 June 2018 in Surigao City, Surigao del Norte;
9. NCI-SRD Mid-Year Assessment and Operational Planning Workshop held last 7-10 August 2018 in Lubao, Pampanga;
10. Master of Public Management major in Rural Development (MPM-RD) Congress 2018 held last 14-16 August 2018 in Lubao, Pampanga;
11. NCI-SRD Impact Assessment of Convergence Areas Training-Workshop held last 23-26 October in Ilocos Norte;
12. NCI-SRD FY 2018 Year-End Assessment and FY 2020 Operational Planning Workshop held last 13-16 November in Zamboanga City; and
13. Results-Based Monitoring and Evaluation (RBME) Training held last 03 to 06 December 2018 in Iloilo City.

II. ANSC and National Technical Working Group (NTWG) Major Activities

The ANSC conducted regular quarterly and two (2) special meetings on the following dates:

Meeting	Date	Venue	Major Accomplishment
1 st ANSC Meeting	17 January 2018	Department of Agrarian Reform	Approval of three (3) NCI-SRD joint resolutions (NCI-SRD Joint Resolution Nos. 3 to 6 Series of 2018)
Special ANSC Meeting	21 February 2018	Department of Agrarian Reform	Updates on the Upper Marikina River Basin Protected Landscape (UMRBPL)
2 nd ANSC Meeting	15 May 2018	Department of Environment and Natural Resources	Approval of NCI-SRD-DND MOA and four (4) NCI-SRD Joint



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			Resolutions (NCI-SRD Joint Resolution Nos. 7 to 10)
3 rd ANSC Meeting	27 July 2018	Department of Agriculture	Approval of three (3) NCI-SRD Joint Resolutions
Special ANSC Meeting	19 October 2018	Department of Agrarian Reform	Approval of JMO and five (5) NCI-SRD Joint Resolutions
4 th ANSC Meeting	27 November	Department of Environment and Natural Resources	Approval of four (4) NCI-SRD Joint Resolutions

The NTWG, composed of the Chairpersons of the four (4) Component Working Groups (CWGs) and three (3) Ecosystems Technical Working Groups (ETWGs), conducted regular quarterly meetings (02 May, 06 July, 26 September, and 08 November 2018) and a special meeting (15 October 2018) for the final technical review of the NCI-SRD development plans and policy instruments, prior to the approval of the ANSC and NSC.

III. CWGs and ETWGs Major Accomplishments and Activities

a. Policy and Advocacy (PA) CWG

The PA CWG conducted six (6) regular meetings held last 2 February, 20 April, 08 June, 03 August, 05 October, and 07 December 2018 at the Bureau of Soils and Water Management (BSWM).

Major Accomplishments:

1. NCI-SRD Roadmap 2018-2030;
2. Joint Memorandum Order: Guidelines for the Identification, Review, and Audit of Conflicting Overlapping Laws, Policies and Programs of the NCI-SRD
3. Technical review of 12 policy instruments;
4. Initial Draft of the NCI-SRD-DSWD MOA on Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP);
5. PA CWG Plans and Activities for FY 2019; and
6. PA CWG Plans and Budget Proposals for FY 2020.



b. Agro-enterprise Cluster and Agribusiness Development (AECABD) CWG and Sustainable Lowland Agriculture (SLA) ETWG

The AECABD CWG conducted five (5) meetings held last 26 January, 19 April, and 31 July, 25 September, and 12 November 2018 at the DA-BSWM.

Major Accomplishments:

1. Activity Design for the Enterprise Development Seminars on Technologies Ready for Commercialization in Pili Watershed and Carood Watershed Convergence Areas;
2. AECABD CWG Plans and Activities for FY 2019; and
3. AECABD CWG Plans and Budget Proposals for FY 2020.

c. Capacity Development (CD) CWG

The CD CWG conducted nine (9) meetings (10 January, 16 March, 19 April, 03 May, 22 May, 05 June, 24 July, 13 September, and 7 November 2018) at the DA-BSWM.

Major Accomplishments:

1. NCI-SRD National Capacity Development Plan for FY 2018-2022;
2. MPM-RD Scholarship Program Assessment Report;
3. CD CWG Plans and Activities for FY 2019; and
4. CD CWG Plans and Budget Proposals for FY 2020.

d. Knowledge Management (KM) CWG

The KM CWG conducted seven (7) meetings (19 February, 16 April, 13 July, 24 September, 25 September, 12 October and 07 December 2018) at the DA – Information Communication Technology Service (ICTS).

Major Accomplishments:

1. NCI-SRD Management Information System;
2. Final draft NCI-SRD Impact Indicators for Convergence Areas;
3. Final draft NCI-SRD RBME tool;
4. KM CWG Plans and Activities for FY 2019; and
5. KM CWG Plans and Budget Proposals for FY 2020.



e. Forestry and Upland Development (FUD) ETWG

The FUD ETWG met twice for the year (05 July and 31 August 2018) at the DA-BSWM.

Major Accomplishment:

1. Position paper on the proposed ammendment of the Joint Administrative Order (JAO) No. 01 Series of 2018

f. Coastal and Marine Resources Management ETWG

The CMRM ETWG met three times (3) times for the year (24 May, 04 July and 12 September 2018) at the DA-BSWM.

Major Accomplishments:

1. Position paper on the proposed ammendment of the JAO No. 01 Series of 2018; and
2. Policy briefer on the Abandoned, Undeveloped and Underutilized Fishponds (AUUF).

IV. RCI TWG Major Accomplishments and Activities

Two (2) convergence area launchings, 11 CADP workshops/writeshops and two (2) enterprise development seminars were conducted by the RCI TWGs. They are as follows:

1. Carood Watershed Convergence Area Launching held last 25 April 2018 in Anda, Bohol;
2. CADP Workshop for the Municipality of San Jose, Tarlac held last 23-27 April 2018 in Lubao, Pampanga;
3. CADP Workshop for ARMM held last 03 to 06 July in Cotabato City;
4. CADP Workshop for Sambonotan Watershed held last 17 to 20 July 2018 in Surigao City;
5. CADP Workshop for Central Antique held last 23 to 25 July in San Jose, Antique;
6. CADP Workshop for Ayala District, Zamboanga and Siocon, Zamboanga del Norte held last 28 to 31 August 2018 in Zamboanga City;
7. CADP Writeshop for the Municipality of San Jose, Tarlac held last 29 to 31 August 2018 in Angeles City, Pampanga;
8. CADP Workshop for Ilocos Sur held last 03 to 07 September in Vigan, Ilocos Sur;
9. Pili Watershed Convergence Area Launching held last 26-28 September 2018 in Castilla, Sorsogon;



10. CADP Workshop for Jalaur, Iloilo held last 02 to 05 October in Iloilo City;
11. Enterprise Development Seminar on Technologies Ready for Commercialization in the Pili Watershed Convergence Area held last 09-11 October 2018 in Castilla, Sorsogon;
12. CADP Writeshop for Suawan-Kulafu Subwatershed held last 11-12 October 2018;
13. Enterprise Development Seminar on Technologies Ready for Commercialization in the Carood Watershed Convergence Area held last 16-18 October 2018 in Daus, Bohol;
14. CADP Workshop for Davao Oriental held last 05 to 09 November in Mati City; and
15. CADP Workshop for CAR held last 26 to 29 November 2018 in Benguet, La Trinidad.

The two (2) convergence area launchings resulted to the signing of the MOAs between the NCI-SRD agencies and the LGUs. The workshops/writeshops produced the draft or final write-ups of the RCI TWG CADPs. The enterprise development seminars increased the knowledge of NCI-SRD stakeholders on current technologies on food processing.

IV. NCI-SRD Special Projects

a. Philippine-East ASEAN Growth Area (P-EAGA) Agribusiness Cluster

As the P-EAGA Agribusiness Cluster Secretariat, the NCI-SRD Secretariat attended and participated in the P-EAGA Project Management Workshop conducted by the Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA) last 18 January 2018 in Makati City. The NCI-SRD Secretariat also facilitated two (2) P-EAGA Agribusiness Cluster meetings last 25 January 2018 in Zamboanga City which produced finalized proposals for the following commodities: rice, cattle, shrimp, seaweed, Halal and organic agriculture; and last 7 June 2018 in Puerto Princesa City wherein preparatory activities for the upcoming 4th BIMP-EAGA and IMT-GT Trade Expo 2018 were lined up. Last 13 to 16 August 2018, the Philippines hosted the 6th BIMP-EAGA Agri-Business Cluster Meeting in Dapitan City, Zamboanga del Norte, with the NCI-SRD Secretariat providing technical support. The meeting produced a status report of the implementation of projects, concept paper, and action plan for convergence with other clusters, in relation to the BEV 2025 Rolling Pipeline 1 and the convergence projects identified in the 2018 Strategic Planning Meeting.



b. DA Halal Food Industry Development Program Technical Working Group (DA HFIDP TWG)

NCI-SRD as co-chair of the DA HFIDP TWG, provided technical inputs on the proposed Halal training modules, rules and regulations for the certification of Halal farms and slaughtering practices, draft guidelines and regulations on Halal food production, and rules and regulations on the establishment of DA-assisted Halal farms. It also participated in the following ten (10) meetings:


1. 12 January 2018 –DA Halal Program Management Office (HPMO) meeting on the Halal training modules
2. 24 January 2018 – HFIDP TWG Core Group meeting on the 2018 Program of Activities
3. 13 February 2018 – HFIDP Executive Committee Meeting
4. 16 March 2018 – HFIDP TWG Core Group meeting on the rules and regulations (guidelines) for the certification of Halal farms and slaughtering practices
5. 19 April 2018- HFIDP TWG Core Group Meeting on on the " Guidelines on the Certification of Halal Farms and Slaughterhouse Facilities," BPI, Manila
6. 11 May 2018 – Halal Orientation for DA Central Office Employees
7. 09 August 2018 – HFIDP TWG Meeting
8. 16 October 2018 – HFIDP TWG Meeting
9. 13 November 2018- HFIDP Executive Committee Meeting, Lipa, Batangas
10. 22 November 2018 – Consultative Meeting on the Proposed Triple A Halal Dressing Plant at Zambo Ecozone, Palacio del Sur, Marcian Garden, Zamboanga

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Annex A

2018 NCI-SRD Joint Resolutions Issued

Resolution No.	Title of Resolution	Date Issued
1	Recommending for the Endorsement of the Consolidated Budget for the Ligawasan Marsh for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 under the General Appropriations Act (GAA) and Requesting the National Steering Committee (NSC) to Source Out Funds of Proposed Plans and Projects Outside of the GAA	11 January 2018
2	Designation of the Master in Public Management Major in Rural Development Scholarship Program Graduates as Members of the National and Regional Technical Working Groups/Component Working Groups of the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development	11 January 2018
3	Adopting "One Convergence Area per Region" Policy	11 January 2018
4	Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Accomplishment Report for FY 2017	5 March 2018
5	Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Annual Operational Plans for FY 2018	5 March 2018
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8	Approving the National Convergence Initiative for Sustainable Rural Development (NCI-SRD) Secretariat Strategic Plans and Targets For FY 2018-2022	16 October 2018



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