

Final Outcome of the Thematic Workshop on Water Allocation and Water Rights

Material (1) - Issue (1)

Country Name: PHILIPPINES

Name of Organization: NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES BOARD

1	<p>The issue you selected</p> <p>Please describe the bad impact or real trouble derived from the issue (Concrete Example)</p>	<p>LACK OF COORDINATION AND CONFLICT IN THE MANAGEMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AMONG DIFFERENT GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION</p> <p>An example of the trouble caused by this issue may be demonstrated in the following: Some local government unit such as barangays are implementing programs like water supply system. Without coordination from the NWRB which is tasked by law with the regulation of water resources, water is extracted without permit and the volume of water extracted is not recorded in the NWRB data. So that when an applicant applied for a water permit on the same source, what appears in the NWRB data is that the water has not been appropriated. When a permit is granted, the permittee will insist on extracting water granted to him by the NWRB. The local government, on the other hand, would insist on the implementation of its program to supply water to the community. Had there been coordination between the Local Government Units and the NWRB there would be no conflict in the allocation of water resources.</p>
2	<p>Causes of the issues</p>	<p>This issue causes conflict in the use of water between different sectors such as domestic use, agricultural use, hydropower use, etc. due to the following: a) Fragmented approach in water resources management and development; b) Inconsistencies in the implementation of water related policies; c) Absence of policy instrument mandating the adoption and institutionalization of IWRM.</p>
3	<p>Proposal (1)</p> <p>Proposal (2)</p> <p>Proposal (3)</p>	<p>Adoption and institutionalization of IWRM in water-related agencies and institution.</p>
4	<p>Remarks</p>	

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Material (1) - Issue (2)

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Name of Organization: NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES BOARD

1	The issue you selected	DIFFICULTY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF WATER RIGHTS SYSTEM
1	Please describe the bad impact or real trouble derived from the issue (Concrete Example)	This issue is one of the problems of the NWRB in the effective regulation and management of water resources. Sad to say, there are more illegal appropriators of water in the Philippines than the one issued by the Board. An example of difficulty in the implementation of water rights system in the Philippines is the refusal of some non-government organizations or indigenous people to recognize the water permit issued by the Board to appropriate water within their ancestral domain believing that all natural resources including water within their ancestral domain are owned by them. Hence, not only that they do not allow other people to use water in the area, but they also appropriate water without securing a water permit.
2	Causes of the issues	a) Lack of information dissemination on the policies and laws related to water rights system; b) Lack of human and financial resources to monitor and enforce the policies; c) Lack of cooperation with some local government units; d) Some water related laws are susceptible to different interpretations; e) Highly centralized responsibility in water allocation.
3	Proposal (1)	Conduct intensive Information and Education (IEC) Campaign
3	Proposal (2)	Strict implementation of the laws, rules and regulations and policies issued by the Board.
3	Proposal (3)	Establish financial mechanism.
3	Proposal (4)	Establish partnership with other government agencies.
4	Remarks	

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Material (2) - Proposal (1) (For Issue (1))

Country Name : PHILIPPINES

Name of Organization : NWRB

1	The issue you selected	Lack of Coordination and conflict in the management of water resources among different government and non government organization.					
	Proposal 1	Adoption and institutionalization of IWRM in water-related agencies and institution.					
2	How to realize the above proposal? (Procedures/ Processes for your proposal)	a) Review mandates, roles, plans and programs of water-related agencies. b) Create enabling policy environment for IWRM. c) Establishment of RBO's/RBC's. d) Formulate water resource plan for priority river basin.					
	Evaluation (1) from the viewpoint of effectiveness (Expected Impact/Outcome)	1) This will create a favorable and enabling environment among stakeholders and water-related agencies in the regulation and allocation of water resources within the basin area.					
3	Evaluation (2) from the viewpoint of feasibility (For example, financial, technical or administrative feasibility)	2) Maybe feasible with the financial support of the national government, other financial institutions, local and international water-related organizations, etc.					
	Evaluation (3) from the viewpoint of sustainability (Your proposal is sustainable from financial, technical or other viewpoints?)	3) Sustainability of the proposal is achievable with the full support of the National Government, water-related agencies, LGU's and key stakeholders.					
4	Implementation Agenda	Items in procedures/ processes	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		a					
		b					
			c		c		
			d		d		
5	Difficulty in Implementation of your proposal	It may be difficult to implement if the National Government and other agencies will not fully support the proposal.					
6	Other Related Organizations	NG, NGA's, LGU's, NGO's, JICA, AUSAID, ADB, WB, etc.					

Discussion Material (2) – For Each Proposal
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Material (2) - Proposal (2)-1 (For Issue (2))

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Name of Organization : NWRB

1	The issue you selected	Difficulty in implementation of Water Rights System					
2	Proposal 1 How to realize the above proposal? (Procedures/ Processes for your proposal)	Conduct of intensive IEC Campaign. a) Posting of policies and laws related to Water Rights System; b) Conduct seminars, workshop and education campaigns to enhance awareness of stakeholders on Water Rights System; c) Distribute primers (local dialect), brochures, CDs and other materials containing information about processing of water permit application.					
3	Evaluation (1) from the viewpoint of effectiveness (Expected Impact/Outcome) Evaluation (2) from the viewpoint of feasibility (For example, financial, technical or administrative feasibility) Evaluation (3) from the viewpoint of sustainability (Your proposal is sustainable from financial, technical or other)	1) IEC will enhance awareness of the stakeholders of the laws and policies relating to water rights and will ensure effective management and efficient use of water resources. 2) The proposal is feasible considering that the financial cost is minimal and the NWRB staff are technically capable of conducting information and education campaign. 3) The proposal can be sustained even with a limited budget of the NWRB.					
4	Implementation Agenda	Items in procedures/ processes	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		a					
		b		b			
		c		c			
5	Difficulty in Implementation of your proposal	Easy to implement with the help of stakeholders.					
6	Other Related Organizations	LGU's					

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Material (2) - Proposal (2)-2 (For Issue (2))

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Name of Organization : NWRB

1	The issue you selected	Difficulty in implementation of Water Rights System					
2	Proposal 2 How to realize the above proposal? (Procedures/ Processes for your proposal)	Strict implementation of the laws, rules and regulations and policies issued by the Board. a) Issuance of Cease and Desist Orders on illegal appropriators and violators; b) Imposition of fines and penalties; c) Cancellation and/or revocation of permits; d) Filing criminal case on violators in extreme cases.					
3	Evaluation (1) from the viewpoint of effectiveness (Expected Impact/Outcome) Evaluation (2) from the viewpoint of feasibility (For example, financial, technical or administrative) Evaluation (3) from the viewpoint of sustainability (Your proposal is sustainable from financial, technical or other)	1) Strict implementation of the laws and rules and regulations will encourage water users to obey the laws related to water. 2) The proposal is feasible specially with the support of the stakeholders, LGUs and other non-governmental organizations. 3) It can be sustained financially and with additional manpower.					
4	Implementation Agenda	Items in procedures/processes	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		a	a				
		b	b				
		c	c				
		d	d				
5	Difficulty in Implementation of your proposal	Easy to implement if supported by LGU's and other authorities like police, barangay officials, etc.					
6	Other Related Organizations	LGU's, NGA's, WD's, Police, Barangay authorities					

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Material (2) - Proposal (2)-3 (For Issue (2))

Country Name : PHILIPPINES

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1	The issue you selected	Difficulty in implementation of Water Rights System					
2	Proposal 3	Establish financial mechanism.					
	How to realize the above proposal? (Procedures/ Processes for your proposal)	a) Mapping of available funds and resources; b) Develop adoptive, responsive and sound tariff-setting; c) Formulate water resources investment plan; d) Develop funding mechanism, e.g., revolving fund, raw water pricing, etc.					
3	Evaluation (1) from the viewpoint of effectiveness (Expected Impact/Outcome)	1) Additional funds will strengthen the organizational structure of the NWRB and will improve enforcement of water rights system and allocation.					
	Evaluation (2) from the viewpoint of feasibility (For example, financial, technical or administrative)	2) It is feasible administratively if fully supported by the National Government and other financial institutions (local and international)					
	Evaluation (3) from the viewpoint of sustainability (Your proposal is sustainable from financial, technical or other)	If fully implemented, sustainability of the proposal can easily be achieved.					
4	Implementation Agenda	Items in procedures/ processes	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		a					
		b		b			
		c		c			
		d		d			
5	Difficulty in Implementation of your proposal	Difficult to implement without the support of the National Government, other NGA's, LGU's and stakeholders.					
6	Other Related Organizations	NG, NGA's , WD's, Private water utilities and stakeholders					

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Material (2) - Proposal (2)-4 (For Issue (2))

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Name of Organization : NWRB

1	The issue you selected	Difficulty in implementation of Water Rights System					
	Proposal 3	Establish partnership with other government agencies					
2	How to realize the above proposal? (Procedures/ Processes for your proposal)	a) Execute MOA with LLDA and LGU's to assist NWRB in the monitoring and enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations and policies issued by the Board. b) Conduct of training/orientation on how to monitor and enforce the same and on the proceeding of water permit application					
	Evaluation (1) from the viewpoint of effectiveness (Expected Impact/Outcome)	Partnership with other government agencies will facilitate effective enforcement and implementation of laws, rules and regulations, and policies issued by the Board.					
3	Evaluation (2) from the viewpoint of feasibility (For example, financial, technical or administrative)	The proposal is feasible with the full support of the government agencies concerned.					
	Evaluation (3) from the viewpoint of sustainability (Your proposal is sustainable from financial, technical or other)	The proposal may be sustained once implemented.					
4	Implementation Agenda	Items in procedures/ processes	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		a		a			
		b		b			
5	Difficulty in Implementation of your proposal	Easy to implement with the help of government agencies concerned					
6	Other Related Organizations	LGU's, LLDA					