



**Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of  
Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand**

**REPORT**

**FISHERIES *REFUGIA* SITE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
MASINLOC, ZAMBALES**

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## MEETING MINUTES

### MEMBERS

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Local Government Unit (LGU)</b>	
	Municipal Mayor	- Hon. Mayor Arsenia J. Lim (Chairperson)
	Vice Mayor	- Hon. Pedro O. Enciso (Vice Chairperson)
	SB Chair - Agriculture and Fisheries	- Hon. Arnel Aquino (Member)
	SB Chair - Environment	- Hon. Norman Acierto (Member)
	SB Chair – Women Sector	- Sorayda Sison (Member)
	SB Chair – Women Sector	- Gigi E. Juarez (Member)
	SB Chair –Association of Barangay Chairman (ABC)	- Hon Christian Piere Nacin (Member)
	Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (MENRO)	- Ms. Olivia Gregorio (Member)
	Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Management (MDRRM) Focal Point	- Mr. Juliano Ebue, Jr. (Member)
	MPA Network Representative	- Mr. Richard G. Pascual (Member)
	Academe Representative	- Mr. Zaldy Elaugos (Member)
	People’s Organization (PO)	- Mr. Joel Butulan (Member)
	Municipal Gender and Development (GAD) – Focal Point	- Ms. Donnah Feline Port (Member)
	Municipal Fisheries and Aquatic - Mr. Oscar Fontillas Resources Management Council (MFARMC)	(Member)
<b>Absent:</b>	Sanggunian Kabataan (SK) Federation President (Youth Sector)	- Hon. Levi Eduvala (Member)
	Municipal Agriculture Office	- Ms. Joanne N. Rosete (Member)
	Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO-DENR)	- Mr. Bernado Montalla (member)
	BFAR Provincial Fisheries Office (PFO)	- Mr. Neil Encinares
	Philippine Coast Guard (PCG)	- PO1 Jeffrey Doctor (Member)
	Philippine National Police (Maritime)	- Chief PNP-Maritime
	National Scientific and Technical Focal Point	- Mr. Valeriano M. Borja
<b>Secretariat:</b>	Ms. Raziel Ares - Cayme	- Science Research Specialist 1
	Mr. John Eliezer Pendre	- Science Research Analyst

1. The meeting and the turnover ceremony for the lifevests was scheduled on the same day. Prior to the start of the meeting, a brief program was conducted for the turnover. After the ceremony, the meeting started at 10:22 in the morning with the usual preliminaries. After the acknowledgement and introduction of participants, the overview of the meeting was discussed briefly.

## I. Meeting Overview

2. Ms. Olive Gregorio, Project site Focal Person, served as the presiding officer. She acknowledged the members of the Site Committee, who were present during the meeting. Agreed by majority of the members the agenda for the quarterly meeting was approved.
3. She reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting agreed and supported by the committee members.

## II. Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting

4. Fisheries Landed Catch Data in Masinloc, Zambales (2017-2020) and Fish Eggs and Larave Results (2018-2019)
  - a. The committee requested for a data validation on the total number of boats observed/collected from the municipality in 2018 as they observed a huge decline in the landed catch in the same year. A copy of the registered boats from MENRO and MAO was forwarded to the LGU for their review and verification. Fort the priority species, since *Pteroceasio tessellata* was not included in the revised list of major species caught, the committee suggested for the replacement of *P. tesellata* into *Sardinella fimbriata* as their priority species since Clupeidae is among the dominant fish larvae families observed in Masinloc Bay.

## III. National Guidelines for the Establishment of Fisheries Refugia in the Philippines

5. The committee requested for an update on the draft national guidelines. Mr. Borja presented the updates and revisions made with the document and forwarded a copy to the project focal in the municipality.

## IV. MOA between Masinloc LGU and NFRDI

6. The memorandum of agreement previously agreed by the project team and LGU was followed up. The project focal person from Masinloc mentioned that the MoA was underway and currently for finalization by the Sangguniang Bayan members of the municipality. Ms. Gregorio added that a copy will be forwarded to the NFRDI as soon as the document is finalized.

## V. Other Matters/Next Steps

7. The committee members asked for the project's ways forward. As part of the project implementation for the habitat component, Mr. Borja suggested that the members of the Fisheries Refugia Site Management Committee will be properly endorsed to the Habitat Project in order to facilitate and help with the project implementation in the future.

8. Lastly, Mr. Borja gave his closing remarks and thanked the members of the committee for their continued support of the project as part of the adjournment of the meeting.

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