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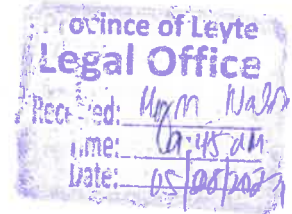
Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary the attached Ordinance No. 156 of the SB of Matag-ob, Leyte, recommending for the declaration of validity pursuant to its power under Section 56 (c) of R.A 7160, the same being, to the opinion of the Provincial Legal Office (PLO), an exercise of the power to REGULATE, a police power under Section 16 of the code, essential to the promotion of the general Welfare. Provided, That pursuant to Section 186 thereof, "Fees or charges shall not be unjust, excessive, oppressive confiscatory, or contrary to declared national policy".

Atty. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL  
Asst. Provincial Legal Officer

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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN**

1<sup>ST</sup> INDORSEMENT  
05 May 2023



The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO.156**, series of 2023 of the **MUNICIPALITY** of **MATAG-OB, LEYTE**, entitled: AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE AND OWNERSHIP OF CHAINSAW AND HANDSAW, IMPOSING FEES AND CHARGES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

  
**FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang



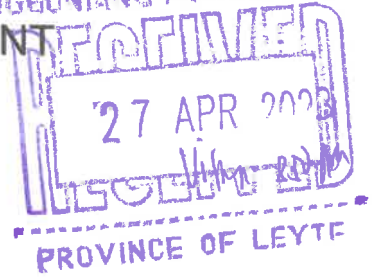
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INDORSEMENT

April 17, 2023

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN




HONORABLE LEONARDO "SANDY" JAVIER  
Vice-Governor  
Presiding Officer  
Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte

Sir:

Respectfully forwarding to your good office the herein attached Municipal Ordinance No. 156 s. 2023 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte, entitled: "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE AND OWNERSHIP OF CHAINSAW AND HANDSAW, IMPOSING FEES AND CHARGES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", subject to review by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

Respectfully yours,

  
ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA  
Secretary to the Sanggunian





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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 15<sup>th</sup>. REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD AT THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION HALL ON APRIL 11, 2023.

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 156**  
(Proposed Municipal Ordinance No. 167)

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE AND OWNERSHIP OF CHAINSAW AND HANDSAW, IMPOSING FEES AND CHARGES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Author: Honorable Romeo N. Albarida

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte in regular session assembled, that:

**Section 1.** Chainsaw and handsaw operation in the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte is hereby regulated.

**Section 2. Policy.** It is the policy of this administration to ensure full protection of its natural resources to make for a balance and sustainable ecology for the present and future generation. Toward this end, the Local Government shall pursue a thorough program to eliminate illegal logging and other forms of forest destruction through the use of chainsaws and handsaws, thus, the passage of this ordinance.

**Section 3. Definition of Terms.** The following terms used in this ordinance shall be taken as defined hereunder:

- a. Chainsaw – any of the handy power saw that has teeth linked together to form an endless chain
- b. Chainsaw Operation – the actual use of chainsaw either for commercial or personal purpose in converting logs, trees, coconuts or timber into lumber/coco-lumber.
- c. Manual Handsaw – a tool locally as known “mano-mano” used to slice logs into lumber fletches, including but not limited to single operated handsaw.
- d. MENRO – Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office

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(Proposed Municipal Ordinance No. 167)  
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April 11, 2023





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Owners of chainsaw and handsaw either for commercial or personal purpose are required to register their chainsaw and handsaw before the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office every January of the fiscal year. The MENRO, having deemed the applicants as qualified operators shall correspondingly recommend for the issuance of a certificate of registration thereof. Registration shall however not to be taken as alternative to the mandatory issuance of permit by the DENR per RA 9175.

Applicants shall present the following documents to the MENRO upon accomplishing the prescribed registration form, viz.:

**For Chainsaw:**

1. Duly filled up application form (Form 1)
2. Official Receipt as proof of ownership
3. DENR Issued Permit
4. Stencil Serial Number of Chainsaw
5. Barangay Certification
6. A municipal registration fee of Php 400.00 for every chainsaw to be registered.

**For Handsaw:**

1. Duly filled up application form (Form 1)
2. Barangay certificate/or clearance which states clearly that the applicant is the actual owner of the unit and is resident of the barangay or have been residing in the barangay for at least six (6) months.

A registration fee of Php 100.00 for every handsaw to be registered allowed to cut trees within the territorial jurisdiction of the municipality.

**Section 6. Chainsaw Operation and Nuisance Affecting Public Peace.** Operation of chainsaw within school and institutional zones shall be prohibited during class and office hours. In residential areas, chainsaw operation may only be permitted from 9 o'clock in the morning until 11:30 in the morning and to resume at 2:30 until 4:30 in the afternoon.

Exemption may be allowed only in times of emergency or calamity.

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**Section 7. Penalty.** Violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be punishable with the following fines:

First Offense – Fine of Php. 500.00

Second Offense – Fine of Php. 1,000.00

Third Offense – Php. 2,500.00 and revocation of Certificate of Registration.

**8. Ordinance Officers.** The MENRO, the Matag-ob PNP and all the Punong Barangays and their respective tanods are hereby designated as ordinance officers to prosecute the provisions of this ordinance.

**Section 9. Separability Clause.** In event or for any reason/s, any part/s, sections/s or provision/s of this Ordinance shall be held or declared be unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining part/s thereof which are not affected thereby, shall continue to be effective and in full force.

**Section 10. Repealing Clause.** Municipal Ordinance No. 06-39 series 2006, and any other ordinances, rules or policies which runs in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

**Section 11. Effectivity.** This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its posting and publication at any conspicuous places in the Local Government of Matag-ob, Leyte.

ENACTED this 11<sup>th</sup>. Day of April 2023.

Carried Unanimously.

I HEREBY to the correctness of the foregoing Municipal Ordinance No. 151 series 2023, duly enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte.

ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

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HONORABLE VINCENT LYBERN P. TACOY  
Municipal Vice Mayor  
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

HONORABLE BERNARDINO G. TACOY  
Municipal Mayor

24 APR 2023

Date Signed

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## CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that copy of Municipal Ordinance No. 156 s. 2023 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte, entitled: "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE AND OWNERSHIP OF CHAINSAW AND HANDSAW, IMPOSING FEES AND CHARGES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", have been posted in three (3) conspicuous places within the municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte starting from April 5, 2023. It shall continue to be posted therein until the required three consecutive weeks shall have been complied with.

This certification is issued in compliance with Section 59 of R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

Issued this 17<sup>th</sup>. Day of April, 2023.

  
ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA  
Secretary to the Sanggunian