

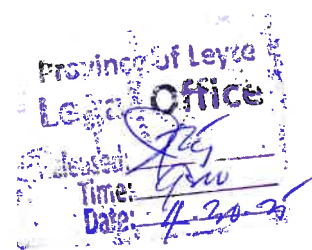
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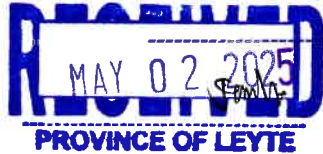
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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE



SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN



2nd INDORSEMENT
April 23, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 25-06 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte.

Issues/concerns for review/recommendation/legal opinion is/are as follows:

- Ordinance No. 25-06 entitled: “An Ordinance establishing and institutionalizing the Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW) program in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte and providing funds thereof.”

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(a)(1)(vii)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in consonance with Section 76 ². Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on the facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Provincial Legal Officer

¹(vii) Subject to the provisions of this Code and pertinent laws, determine the powers and duties of officials and employees of the municipality;

² Section 76. Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern. - Every local government unit shall design and implement its own organizational structure and staffing pattern taking into consideration its service requirements and financial capability, subject to the minimum standards and guidelines prescribed by the Civil Service Commission.

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

Province of Leyte
Legal Office
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1ST INDORSEMENT
21 April 2025

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-06**, of the **Municipality of Burauen, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance establishing and institutionalizing the Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW) program in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte and providing funds thereof.**

4.21.25


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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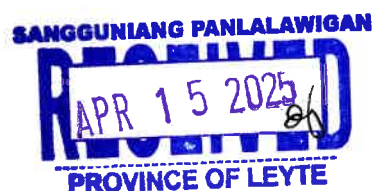


OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

April 15, 2025

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS
Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Leyte

ATTENTION: FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Province of Leyte
Palo, Leyte



Ladies/Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith 15 copies of **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-06**, Series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled "**An Ordinance Establishing and Institutionalizing the Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW) Program in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte and Providing Funds Thereof**", for review and approval of the body.

Thank you and please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Respectfully yours,


ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF LEYTE
MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-06**, Series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, ***“An Ordinance Establishing and Institutionalizing the Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW) Program in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte and Providing Funds Thereof”***, was enacted on March 17, 2025, approved on even date, and has been posted in two (2) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality from ***March 19, 2025 to April 8, 2025***, in compliance with Section 59, paragraph (b) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991”.

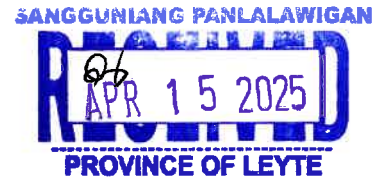
Burauen, Leyte, April 11, 2025.


ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 25-06
Series of 2025



“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BARANGAY AGRICULTURE EXTENSION WORKER (BAEW) PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF”

Authored by Hon. Oscar A. Cagara

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates local government units (LGUs) to ensure and support the promotion of the general welfare of their constituents, including those engaged in agriculture and fisheries;

WHEREAS, agriculture remains a primary economic driver in Burauen, and there is a need to strengthen the dissemination of agricultural programs, projects and technical assistance at the barangay level;

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly Goal 2 (Zero Hunger) and Goal 13 (Climate Action), emphasize the importance of improving agricultural productivity, ensuring food security and promoting climate-resilient farming practices;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers LGUs to develop and implement agricultural programs that support local farmers and fisherfolk, ensuring food security and economic stability;

WHEREAS, strengthening local agricultural extension services is essential to achieving sustainable rural development and empowering smallholder farmers through capacity-building, technical assistance and resource support;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, in session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the **“Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW) Ordinance of Burauen, Leyte.”**

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVES

This Ordinance aims to:

1. Strengthen agricultural extension services at the barangay level;
2. Provide technical support and advisory services to farmers and fisherfolk;
3. Enhance the implementation of municipal and national agricultural programs;

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4. Promote sustainable and climate-resilient farming practices;
5. Improve the livelihood and productivity of the agricultural sector in Burauen.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are defined as follows:

1. **Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW)** – An appointed individual in the barangay responsible for assisting in the implementation of agricultural programs and providing technical support to farmers and fisherfolk.
2. **Municipal Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer Office (MABEO)** – The Local Government Office responsible for overseeing agricultural development programs and projects in the municipality.
3. **Barangay** – The smallest political unit of government that serves as the primary implementing arm for agricultural programs and services.
4. **Municipality** – Refers to the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Burauen, Leyte.
5. **PCIC (Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation)** – A government-owned and controlled corporation that provides insurance protection to farmers against losses due to natural calamities, pests, and diseases.
6. **RSBSA (Registry System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture)** – A database under the Department of Agriculture that lists farmers, fisherfolk, and agricultural workers eligible for government programs and assistance.
7. **Agricultural Extension** – The process of providing farmers, fisherfolk, and other stakeholders with knowledge, technologies, and technical assistance to improve agricultural productivity and sustainability.
8. **Department** – Refers to the Department of Agriculture (DA), which is responsible for the development and implementation of policies and programs related to agriculture and fisheries in the country.
9. **Agricultural Extension Services** – Activities aimed at disseminating knowledge, technology and government programs to farmers and fisherfolk to enhance productivity and sustainability.
10. **Climate-Resilient Farming Practices** – Agricultural methods that help farmers adapt to and mitigate the effects of climate change while maintaining productivity and sustainability.
11. **Sustainable Agriculture** – Farming practices that aim to meet current food and fiber needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs, ensuring environmental, social and economic viability.
12. **Honorarium** – A stipend provided to BAEWs as compensation for their services, subject to availability of Barangay and Municipal funds.

SECTION 4. CREATION OF THE BARANGAY AGRICULTURE EXTENSION WORKER (BAEW)

There is at least one (1) Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker (BAEW) in every Barangay of Burauen ^{which} ~~that~~ will be appointed by the Punong Barangay and concurred by the sanggunian concerned and be registered with Municipal Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer Office (MABEO), which is hereby mandated to maintain the registry of all BAEW in the Municipality and to be entitled to the benefits provided under this ordinance.

SECTION 5. QUALIFICATIONS OF BAEWs

A Barangay Agriculture Extension Worker shall:

1. Be a resident of the barangay where they will serve;
2. Shall not be a Sangguniang Barangay Member or holding any appointed position in the Barangay he/she may serve.
3. Shall be physically and emotionally fit to perform the tasks given.
4. Have knowledge or experience in farming, fisheries, or agriculture-related fields;
5. Have at least a high school diploma, preferably with training in agriculture or related fields;
6. Demonstrate a commitment to serving the farming community.

SECTION 6. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The BAEWs shall:

1. Serve as the link between farmers, the Barangay, LGU Burauen and the Municipal Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer Office;
2. Assist in the dissemination of agricultural information, technologies and government programs;
3. Conduct regular visits and monitoring of agricultural activities in their barangay;
4. Assist in agricultural disaster response and recovery efforts;
5. Establish and maintain Barangay baseline data for crops, livestock and fisheries.
6. Assist the registration of individual farmers, Farm workers, fisherfolks, poultry and livestock raisers within their barangay using the RSBSA Registration Form.
7. Promote or advocate the application of insurance of crops and livestock with PCIC.
8. Submit periodic reports to the BLGU and MABEO on agricultural conditions and farmer concerns;
9. Organize and facilitate farmer training sessions in collaboration with the MABEO and other agencies;
10. Encourage sustainable and organic farming practices.
11. Assist in the monitoring of agricultural livelihood projects in the Barangay.
12. Performs other agricultural extension functions as that may be assigned.
13. Provide guidance to farmers in their respective barangay, especially on crop management, soil health, pest control, and irrigation policies, as well as introduction of new technologies.

14. Collect data on farmers, crop yield, agricultural practices, market trends, agricultural activities, methods, and other data provided in the RSBSA or Registry System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture.
15. Assist the Punong Barangay and Barangay Kagawad, Committee on Agriculture, in implementing the various farmer and agricultural programs of the municipality, as well as assist farmers in RSBSA registration and other related projects.
16. Advise farmers on suitable crop varieties, based on conditions and market demands, farming techniques, crop selection, managing pest control, and the like.
17. Serve as link of the barangay to the Municipal Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer Office (MABEO), the Department of Agriculture (DA) R08, and other agencies related to agriculture and farmers as well as to coordinate with the MABE and farmers on any agriculture matters, like borrowing of tractors, etc.
18. Conduct regular farm visits to assess crop, conditions, soil quality, and overall farm management, and submit report to the PB/Kagawad and MABE.
19. Organize farmers' association/cooperative in their respective barangay, as well as workshops, fairs, training sessions, for farmers, especially on new technologies, best practices, and market trends.
20. Assist farmers in accessing government support and subsidies, communicate the government and municipalities' MAO, agricultural policies and programs to farmers.
21. Engage in community and farmer relationships, facilitate communication between farmers and relevant stakeholders.

SECTION 7. TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

The Municipal Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer Office, in coordination with relevant agencies such as the Department of Agriculture and other Government Agencies shall provide training and capacity-building programs for BAEWs to equip them with updated agricultural knowledge and skills.

SECTION 8. INCENTIVES AND SUPPORT

To encourage participation and ensure the effectiveness of BAEWs, the Barangay shall provide the following:

1. A monthly honorarium subject to availability of funds;
2. Necessary tools and materials for their work, such as farm kits and information materials;
3. Access to government-sponsored training and seminars and provide travelling allowance in attending capability trainings charge to the local fund.
4. Opportunities for livelihood support programs.

A registered BAEW with LGU Burauen, who actively and regularly performing their duties as certified by the MABE shall be entitled to receive an amount of Five Hundred Pesos (₱ 500.00) per month, charged from the Local Government Unit of Burauen funds.

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION

The Barangays of Burauen and the Local Government Unit of Burauen under the MABEO's budget shall allocate funds for the incentives and implementation of this Ordinance. Additional

funding may be sourced from national government agencies, private sector partnerships, and grants.

SECTION 10. IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

The MABE Office shall be the lead agency in implementing and monitoring the BAEW Program, with support from the Barangay Councils and other relevant offices.

SECTION 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions shall not be affected and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE

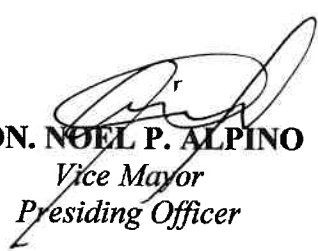
This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval and compliance with the publication requirements as provided by law.

APPROVED AND ENACTED, this 17th day of March, 2025, in the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. NOEL P. ALPINO
*Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer*

(absent)
HON. VINCENT G. ENERLAN
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. CIPRIANO R. RELATORRES, JR.
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN
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HON. ROBERT G. DEL PILAR
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Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. OSCAR A. CAGARA
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. FE S. RENOMERON
LnB President/ Ex-Officio SB Member

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HON. JUSTINE MERP G. ANDRADE
SK Federation President/ Ex-Officio Member

APPROVED:


HON. JUANITO E. RENOMERON
Municipal Mayor

