

L.5. NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION

For subsidy requirements in accordance with the programs and project(s), as indicated hereunder P 63,246,735,000

New Appropriations, by Programs/Projects

	<u>Current Operating Expenditures</u>			
	<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>
A. REGULAR PROGRAMS				
General Administration and Support	P	10,664,812,000		P 10,664,812,000
Support to Operations		2,458,600,000		2,458,600,000
Operations		<u>33,287,176,000</u>		<u>33,287,176,000</u>
IRRIGATION SYSTEMS RESTORATION PROGRAM		21,895,599,000		21,895,599,000
IRRIGATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM		<u>11,391,577,000</u>		<u>11,391,577,000</u>
Total, Regular Programs		<u>46,410,588,000</u>		<u>46,410,588,000</u>
B. PROJECT(S)				
Locally-Funded Project(s)		11,080,583,000		11,080,583,000
Foreign-Assisted Project(s)		<u>5,755,564,000</u>		<u>5,755,564,000</u>
Total, Project(s)		<u>16,836,147,000</u>		<u>16,836,147,000</u>
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P	<u><u>63,246,735,000</u></u>		P <u><u>63,246,735,000</u></u>

Special Provision(s)

1. **Subsidy for Operating Requirements.** The amount of Nine Billion Six Hundred Fifty Three Million Three Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Pesos (P9,653,364,000) appropriated herein shall be used to cover the operating requirements of National Irrigation Administration (NIA) and the cost for the operations and maintenance of existing irrigation facilities.

In no case shall NIA collect irrigation service fees from farmers with landholdings of eight (8) hectares and below in accordance with Section 3 of R.A. No. 10969.

Of the amounts appropriated herein, Twenty Five Million Pesos (P25,000,000) shall be used for the implementation of the Learning and Development for Delivering Excellent Results (LADDER) Program of the NIA, to be conducted by the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP).

Moreover, an amount of Twenty Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Pesos (P22,400,000) shall be used for the implementation of the study "*Masaganang Ani sa Tagtuyot: Double Cropping System for Climate Resilient Farming*," which will also be undertaken by the DAP in support of NIA's double dry cropping initiative aimed at increasing rice productivity in national irrigation systems.

2. **Right-of-Way and Feasibility Studies.** The amounts of Two Hundred Million Pesos (P200,000,000) and Two Hundred Fifty Two Million One Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Pesos (P252,158,000) appropriated herein shall be used for: (i) right-of-way expenses authorized under R.A. No. 10752; and (ii) feasibility study and detailed engineering design, respectively, relative to the implementation of projects of NIA.

The implementation of these activities shall be subject to the guidelines issued by NIA for the purpose.

3. Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program. The amount of Eight Hundred Eighty Two Million One Hundred Eighty Eight Thousand Pesos (P882,188,000) appropriated herein under the subsidy for NIA shall be used for Other Irrigation Systems Sub-Program in support of the Program Beneficiaries Development component of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program.

4. Subsidy for National Irrigation Systems and Communal Irrigation Systems. The amount of Thirty Five Billion One Hundred Forty Four Million Two Hundred Forty Three Thousand Pesos (P35,144,243,000) appropriated herein shall be used for expenses directly related to the implementation of National Irrigation Systems and Communal Irrigation Systems. The NIA shall ensure that the master plan for irrigation projects gives priority to key production areas in major rice producing provinces and irrigation projects are undertaken by qualified Irrigators Associations consistent with the standard specifications set by DPWH, taking into account climate risk information, and using coconut bio-engineering solutions and high-density polyethylene pipes.

In no case shall said amount be used for administrative expenses or for the payment of Personnel Services or MOOE requirements.

5. Subsidy for Small Irrigation Projects. The amount of Two Billion One Hundred Fifty Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (P2,154,500,000) appropriated herein under the Special Irrigation Sub-program for Small Irrigation Projects (SIPs) shall be used for the implementation of irrigation projects that will generate new service areas within a year and the construction of dams or intake structures and canals, and drainage structures and facilities.

Upon completion of the construction of the SIPs, NIA may turn over its operation and maintenance to capable Irrigators Association concerned, which shall commit to shoulder the costs thereof. Implementation of this project shall be subject to the guidelines issued by NIA.

6. Compliance with the National Irrigation Master Plan. The construction, improvement, rehabilitation, and repair work for all irrigation projects shall be implemented in accordance with the National Irrigation Master Plan (2020–2030).

7. Transparency Of Irrigation Projects. Of the amounts appropriated herein under the Operating Subsidy, the amount of Fifty Million Pesos (P50,000,000) shall be allocated for the set-up, operation, and maintenance of systems, including activities related to data integration, information systems development, geo-tagging, and capacity building of concerned NIA offices.

The NIA shall establish and maintain a publicly accessible online dashboard on its official website for all irrigation projects to ensure transparency and accountability. The dashboard shall include the project timeline, name of contractors, details of awarded contracts, physical and financial status, and geo-tagged photos of the projects taken at the start, middle, and completion stages.

8. Modification of Irrigation Project List. No change or modification to the approved list of irrigation projects shall be allowed except when supported by clear, verifiable, and scientifically established grounds. These grounds are specifically limited to:

- i. Hydrogeological failure evidenced by failed pump tests due to insufficient groundwater recharge and shift in river course validated through hydrogeological survey results;
- ii. Realignment of canals where original alignments are no longer viable due to high siltation, erosion, landslide-prone slopes, or unsafe soil bearing capacity, and unstable subsurface conditions during well development;
- iii. Physical inaccessibility established by certified documentation from relevant government authorities in cases of permanent site inaccessibility, such as landslide, flooding, or a legally unresolved right-of-way; or
- iv Reconstruction of damaged irrigation structures due to typhoons, floods, and acts of man, such as but not limited to quarrying.

Provided, That any modification shall require joint certification by the NIA regional manager and a licensed geologist or geotechnical/civil engineer who is independent of the project proponent, endorsement by the NIA Administrator, and final approval by the NIA Board, and shall not be based solely on administrative or managerial discretion: *Provided, further*, That any relocation shall remain strictly within the same province, be limited to sites meeting the same technical criteria, and comply fully with applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

9. Subsidy for Quick Response Fund. The amount of Three Hundred Million Pesos (P300,000,000) appropriated herein for the Quick Response Fund (QRF) shall serve as a stand-by fund to be used for reconstruction and rehabilitation programs, activities or projects in order that the situation and living conditions of people in communities or areas stricken by calamities, epidemics, crises, and catastrophes, which occurred in the last quarter of the immediately preceding year and those occurring during the current year may be normalized as quickly as possible. In no case shall the QRF be used for pre-disaster activities, such as conduct of training, insurance of assets, and public information and education initiatives, or any other purpose not authorized in this provision.

Utilization of the QRF shall be subject to DBM-OCD J.C. No. 2025-01 dated April 2, 2025, and such other guidelines as may be issued by the OCD and DBM.

10. Reportorial Requirement. The NIA shall submit to the DBM, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate of the Philippines, the House Committee on Appropriations and Senate Committee on Finance, either in printed form or by way of electronic document, quarterly reports on the utilization of funds, including the master plan of irrigation projects, inventory of all existing and ongoing irrigation projects, and detailed report on the projects' status, implementation progress, financial and physical accomplishments, and any issues affecting completion. The Administrator of NIA and the Administration's web administrator or his/her equivalent shall be responsible for ensuring that said quarterly reports are likewise posted on the NIA's website.

11. Special Provisions Applicable to All Government Corporations. In addition to the foregoing special provisions, the special provisions applicable to all government corporations enumerated under the Budgetary Support to Government Corporations-Others shall be observed by the NIA.

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

<u>Current Operating Expenditures</u>			
<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlays</u>	<u>Total</u>

REGULAR PROGRAMS

General Administration and Support

Operating Subsidy	P	9,653,364,000	P	9,653,364,000
Operation and Maintenance of NIS Pump Irrigation Systems		911,448,000		911,448,000
Operation and Maintenance of CIS Pump Irrigation Systems		<u>100,000,000</u>		<u>100,000,000</u>
Sub-total, General Administration and Support		<u>10,664,812,000</u>		<u>10,664,812,000</u>

Support to Operations

Payment for Right-of-Way (ROW), Completion Works and Unpaid Claims and Damages of Completed Projects		200,000,000		200,000,000
Heavy Equipment Procurement for Irrigation System		500,000,000		500,000,000
Feasibility Study and Detailed Engineering (FSDE) and Pre-Engineering Activities of Various Projects - Proper		252,158,000		252,158,000
Irrigation Management Transfer Support Services-Proper		396,442,000		396,442,000
Quick Response Fund		300,000,000		300,000,000
Pre-construction Activities for Irrigation Projects		710,000,000		710,000,000
Farming Services Support Program		<u>100,000,000</u>		<u>100,000,000</u>
Sub-total, Support to Operations		<u>2,458,600,000</u>		<u>2,458,600,000</u>

Operations

IRRIGATION SYSTEMS RESTORATION PROGRAM		<u>21,895,599,000</u>		<u>21,895,599,000</u>
National Irrigation System Sub-program		14,432,368,000		14,432,368,000
Communal Irrigation System Sub-program		6,795,826,000		6,795,826,000
Other Irrigation Systems Sub-program		667,405,000		667,405,000
IRRIGATION SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM		<u>11,391,577,000</u>		<u>11,391,577,000</u>
Establishment of Pump Irrigation Sub-Program		7,473,641,000		7,473,641,000
Special Irrigation Sub-program		2,154,500,000		2,154,500,000
Extension/Expansion of Existing Irrigation System Sub-program		881,248,000		881,248,000
Other Irrigation Systems Sub-program		<u>882,188,000</u>		<u>882,188,000</u>

Sub-total, Operations	<u>33,287,176,000</u>	<u>33,287,176,000</u>
Total, Regular Programs	<u>46,410,588,000</u>	<u>46,410,588,000</u>

PROJECT(S)

Locally-Funded Project(s)

New National Irrigation Sub-Program	<u>7,279,237,000</u>	<u>7,279,237,000</u>
Tumauni River Multipurpose Project, Isabela	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000
Panay River Basin Integrated Development Project, Iloilo & Capiz	420,000,000	420,000,000
Balog - Balog Multipurpose Project Phase II, Tarlac	641,671,000	641,671,000
Ilocos Sur Transbasin Irrigation Project, Ilocos Sur	10,000,000	10,000,000
Tanjay - Bais River Irrigation Project, Negros Oriental	236,238,000	236,238,000
Libang River Irrigation Project, Agusan del Sur	165,000,000	165,000,000
Bayabas Irrigation Project, Bulacan	300,000,000	300,000,000
Ilocos Norte - Ilocos Sur - Abra Irrigation Project, Stage 2	1,500,000,000	1,500,000,000
Upi Integrated River Irrigation Project, Maguindanao	106,500,000	106,500,000
Lower Apayao River Irrigation Project, Apayao	20,000,000	20,000,000
Imelda Irrigation Project (formerly Lower Sibuguey II RIS Extension Project), Zamboanga Sibugay	129,828,000	129,828,000
Lusod Integrated National Irrigation Project, Quirino	100,000,000	100,000,000
Bustos Dam Afterbay Structure, Bulacan	100,000,000	100,000,000
Upper Banaoang Irrigation Project	10,000,000	10,000,000
Paoay Lake Irrigation Project, Ilocos Norte	100,000,000	100,000,000
Sta. Filomena Irrigation Project, Cagayan	100,000,000	100,000,000
Cabiao Water Impounding Project, Nueva Ecija	200,000,000	200,000,000
Abuan River Irrigation Project, Isabela	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
Catarman - Bobon Irrigation Project, Bobon, Northern Samar	70,000,000	70,000,000
Bugko Irrigation Project, Mondragon, Northern Samar	70,000,000	70,000,000
Small Reservoir Irrigation Sub-Program	<u>3,801,346,000</u>	<u>3,801,346,000</u>
Marimay Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Apayao	50,000,000	50,000,000

Bagtingon Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Marinduque	100,000,000	100,000,000
Bayaoas Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Pangasinan	50,000,000	50,000,000
Bayuyan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Capiz	10,563,000	10,563,000
Cabano Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Guimaras	100,000,000	100,000,000
Calunasan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Bohol	15,000,000	15,000,000
Hibale Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Bohol	250,000,000	250,000,000
Tulunán Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), North Cotabato	178,000,000	178,000,000
Dumuloc Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Pangasinan	50,000,000	50,000,000
Balasing Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Isabela	528,741,000	528,741,000
Calapangan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Cagayan	210,000,000	210,000,000
Linoan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Davao de Oro	110,000,000	110,000,000
Cabacanan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Ilocos Norte	490,871,000	490,871,000
Lopez Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Quezon	330,000,000	330,000,000
San Felipe Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), La Union	308,111,000	308,111,000
Waras Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), boundary between Baao and Iriga City, Camarines Sur	350,000,000	350,000,000
Ugasan - Juanico Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Iloilo	100,000,000	100,000,000
Tyabanan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Negros Occidental	100,000,000	100,000,000
Lipitan Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Occidental Mindoro	100,000,000	100,000,000
Tumaga River-Pasonanca Small Reservoir Irrigation Project (SRIP), Zamboanga City	370,060,000	370,060,000

BUDGETARY SUPPORT TO GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

Sub-total, Locally-Funded Project(s)	<u>11,080,583,000</u>	<u>11,080,583,000</u>
Foreign - Assisted Project(s)		
Jalaur River Multi Purpose Project, Stage II, Iloilo Korea EDCF Loan No. PHL-15	<u>5,755,564,000</u>	<u>5,755,564,000</u>
GOP Counterpart	<u>5,755,564,000</u>	<u>5,755,564,000</u>
Sub-total, Foreign-Assisted Project(s)	<u>5,755,564,000</u>	<u>5,755,564,000</u>
Total, Project(s)	<u>16,836,147,000</u>	<u>16,836,147,000</u>
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P <u><u>63,246,735,000</u></u>	P <u><u>63,246,735,000</u></u>

New Appropriations, by Object of Expenditures
(In Thousand Pesos)

Current Operating Expenditures

Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses

Financial Assistance/Subsidy

63,246,735

Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses

63,246,735

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