



# BARANGAY LIVESTOCK AIDE (BALA) PROGRAM

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- Bohol as an island province in Central Visayas consists of 47 municipalities with Tagbilaran City as its capital. There are 1,109 barangays that comprise its administrative area of jurisdiction grouped into three congressional districts. Bohol as a first-class province and the 10<sup>th</sup> largest island in the Philippines, has a land area of 4,117.26 sq.km. with a total human population of 1.313 million.
- Agriculture is one of the economic drivers of Bohol and is the main source of livelihood of majority of Boholanos. The development efforts of the province are guided by its vision of Green Bohol, a Competitive and Sustainable Agro-Industrial Province in the Visayas.

## Challenges in Governance



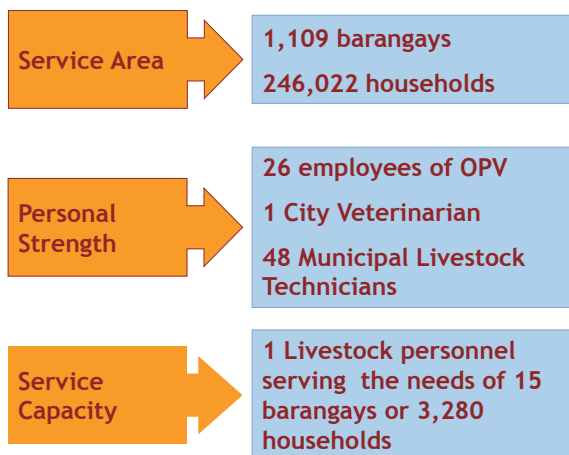
## Challenges in Governance

- Bohol as key livestock production area in Region 7
- More than 80% of livestock production done at backyard level
  - ❑ Low productivity
    - poor bio-security = prevalence of infectious diseases
    - parasitism
    - low quality stock of farm animals
    - high cost of feeds, veterinary drugs & biologics
    - Inaccessibility to technical/ veterinary services

developing the livestock industry

# Challenges in Governance

CY 2007



## Objective

- **Generally**, the Program aims to increase the livestock manpower in the province & capacitate the barangays in attending to the livestock and poultry needs of their constituents.
- **Specifically**
  - ✓ Designate at least one volunteer livestock aide in every barangay;
  - ✓ establish an updated Barangay Livestock Profile;
  - ✓ enhance adoption of production technologies;
  - ✓ implement basic animal health care program;
  - ✓ establish communication network for veterinary surveillance at the barangay level.

Conceptualization in 2007

## BALA PROGRAM

support for the livestock & poultry industry

## Responsibility Centers & Participations

### Provincial Government

- ✓ Spearhead & oversee the implementation of the program
- ✓ Establish manual of operation
- ✓ Provide funds to its ensure sustainable implementation
- ✓ Facilitate the formation of BALA chapters
- ✓ Provides insurance coverage
- ✓ Conducts Basic Refresher courses

### Municipal LGU

- ✓ Assign Municipal Livestock Technician to assess the recommended BALA of the barangay
- ✓ Supervise BALA & monitor activities in their areas of jurisdiction
- ✓ Provide counterpart funds to ensure its operation
- ✓ Collect barangay livestock report & submit to PLGU
- ✓ Conduct regular BALA program planning & assessment

### Barangay LGU

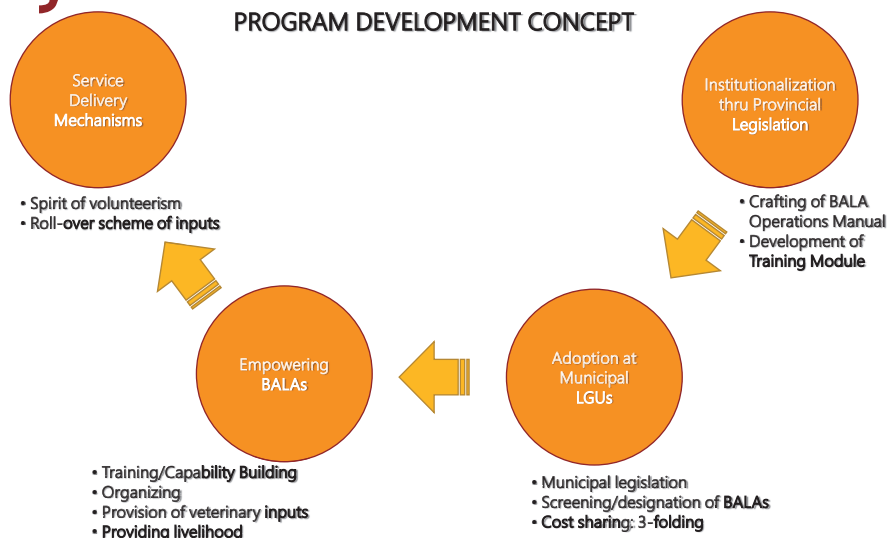
- ✓ Responsible in the selection, designation/ appointment of BALA
- ✓ Provide counterpart funds for program operation

### Other National Agencies & NGOs

- ✓ Provide funds for trainings & refresher courses, veterinary kits, and drugs & biologics to enhance service delivery capacity of BALA

# Systems and Innovations

## PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT



# Livestock Services Delivered

- Animal disease prevention & control activities
- Disease surveillance & reporting
- Livestock profiling/ survey
- Information education campaign
- Assistance in implementation & monitoring of government programs:
  - ✓ LETS HELP BOHOL Program
  - ✓ Bohol Rabies Prevention & Elimination Program
  - ✓ Disease Prevention & Control
    - Vaccination
    - Deworming
  - ✓ Artificial Insemination
  - ✓ Native Chicken Development Program
  - ✓ ASF Prevention & Contingency Plan

# Capacitation & Organizational Strengthening

## I. Individual Livestock Aide Capacitation

- Basic BALA Training Course (3 days with skills training)
- BALA Refresher Courses
- Specialized Courses on
  - ✓ Village-based Artificial Insemination Technician
- Monthly Municipal BALA meetings
- Regular Technology Updating
- Provision of Veterinary kits & uniform
- Accident Insurance

# Capacitation & Organizational Strengthening

## II. Organizational Strengthening

- Organization of Municipal BALAs
- Organization of Provincial BALA (BABALA)
- Registration with DOLE
- Submission of Project Proposal to DOLE under the Program on Assistance for Rural Workers
- Provision of Livelihood Fund
- Assistance to preparation of project proposals
- BALA Congress

## Training/ Capability



## Program Implications/ Impact

### 1. Improvement of Service Delivery

	(2007)	(2010)
Service Area	1,109 barangays 246,022 households	1,109 barangays 261,140 households
Personal Strength	26 employees of OPV 1 City Veterinarian 48 Municipal Livestock Technicians	44 OPV Technical Staff 48 Mun. Livestock Technicians 1 City Veterinarian 1,265 BALAs
Service Capacity	1 Livestock personnel serving the needs of 15 barangays or 3,280 households	1 Livestock Personnel serves 192 households

## 2. Institutionalization of Barangay Livestock Services

- in-placed vaccination, deworming program
- presence of municipal with barangay livestock profile
- available barangay counterpart fund for livestock services

## 3. Ensured food production resulting to food sufficiency.

**Sufficiency (%) of Livestock & Poultry, Province of Bohol, Year 2010-2017**

Commodity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Carabeef	327	335	609	646	660	692	732	785
Beef	197	206	442	433	438	431	430	476
Pork	316	312	383	366	370	392	415	440
Chevon	678	676	631	658	702	766	838	848
Chicken	201	245	228	236	263	286	294	317
Duck	259	128	122	124	134	112	87	121
Chicken Egg	94	93	67	72	83	95	92	100
Duck Egg	35	30	14	37	41	51	51	59

Source: PSA > PPDO Bohol

- ## 4. Government savings in the amount of **P33,396,000 (\$667,920)** (at P220/day) estimated yearly monetized value of voluntary services for labor cost of 10 days/month service of BALA

## 5. Sustainability

- 22 years surviving 4 times change of leadership
- 1,265 volunteers operating in 47 municipalities & 1,094 barangays (excluding Tagbilaran City)

## 6. Replicability - replicated in Region VII & other areas

## 7. Socio-economic impact on the part of BALA

- ✓ Electoral position
- ✓ **Recognition & awards** - outstanding farming endeavors
- ✓ Employment opportunities



# GALING POOK AWARD

## Barangay Livestock Aide



July 28, 2000

GALING POOK AWARDEE in 2000

Best Paper Award - PSAS Visayas Chapter in 2002

Presidential Trophy from GMA

Pillar in Agriculture Development Award given by DA-RFU 7 in 2005

## Challenges

### Strengthening Service Delivery

- Cost-sharing scheme should be maintained;
- Source out funds from collaborators and sponsors in some activities;
- Continuous capacity development

### Program Sustainability

- Conduct strategic planning, team building and assessments
- Continue registration process of municipal BALAs;
- Insurance coverage of BALAs.

# Thank you.