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DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. 015

**TO : Undersecretaries/Assistant Secretaries
Chiefs of Service/Staff in the Office of the Secretary
All Heads of Bureaus, Commissions and Offices
attached/under the Department**

SUBJECT: Implementation of a National Greening Program

The President has declared the implementation of a National Greening Program as a government priority pursuant to Executive Order No. 26 dated 24 February 2011.

In line with the Department's task provided for in EO No. 26, please be guided by the following:

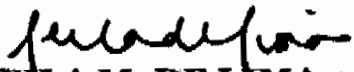
1. The national penitentiary and penal colonies of the Bureau of Corrections (BuCor) shall be the designated nursery establishments of the greening program of the Department and its agencies. The BuCor shall ensure the production of planting materials to be integrated in its agro-industrial programs;
2. The tree planting activity which is part of the rehabilitation program for probationers, parolees and pardonees of the Parole and Probation Administration (PPA) shall be strengthened and enhanced;
3. The Board of Pardons and Parole (BPP) shall consider including in its rules the condition that for any inmate to be eligible for parole or executive clemency, they should have planted at least ten (10) trees each before the availment thereof;
4. All other agencies including the Department proper shall ensure that for each year from 2011 to 2016, a greening or tree planting activity shall be part of their annual activities. In keeping with the

spirit of EO 26, each agency/office shall ensure that at least one thousand (1,000) trees shall have been planted annually in designated planting sites identified by the Departments of Agriculture, Agrarian Reform and Environment and Natural Resources; and

5. All regional offices of the Department and its agencies shall likewise undertake a tree planting activity in coordination with their respective local government unit and/or in partnership with people's organizations and non-government organizations; and

Strict monitoring of the implementation of this program shall be done every six (6) months from the effectivity of this Department Circular. A bi-annual progress report shall be submitted to this Office through the Planning and Management Service.

Attached is a copy of EO 246 for information and guidance.


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Secretary 