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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18 Series of 2021

DIRECTING ALL PUNONG BARANGAYS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLAVERIA, CAGAYAN TO IMPLEMENT CONTROL MEASURES ON THE SPREAD OF AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (ASF) BASED ON THE ASF CONTINGENCY PLAN SET FORTH BY THE BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to promote a just and fair environment for trade and other economic activities, and provide effective mechanisms or measures to promote the well-being of its citizens, their livelihood, and the economy, in general;

WHEREAS, Section 3(b) of Republic Act No. 3639 mandates the Department of Agriculture through the Bureau of Animal Industry, to control and eradicate dangerous communicable diseases of domestic animals;

WHEREAS, African Swine Fever (ASF) is a highly contagious and fatal disease affecting domestic and wild pigs caused by a resistant virus with no known cure up to now, despite having no effect on humans but can cause major production and economic losses to a country;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Republic Act (RA) No. 7160, otherwise known as Local Government Code of 1991, requires every Local Government Unit (LGU) to exercise the powers expressly granted those necessary implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare.

WHEREAS, the current ASF incidents will have disastrous effects in the municipality's swine industry if no drastic disease control and preventive measures will be implemented by local authorities;

WHEREAS, to address the current problem inorder to control and prevent similar cases, there is a necessity to oversee and implement effective and coordinated policies and strategies to manage, contain and control the spread of ASF in the Municipality;

WHEREAS, following the reported cases of hog mortality due to ASF in some barangays of the Municipality, there is a need for an urgent stricter measure to control the ASF infection in the Municipality.

NOW THEREFORE, I, CELIA T.LAYUS, M.D, Municipal Mayor of Claveria, Cagayan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue the following order: Directing all Punong Barangays in the municipality to implement control measures on the spread of African Swine Fever (ASF) based on the ASF contingency plan set forth by the Bureau of Animal Industry.

Further, in order to control/eradicate the ASF in all the barangays in the municipality, the following measures set forth by the Bureau of Animal Industry must be strictly implemented;

1. Surveillance for early detection

The Agricultural Technologist of the Municipal Agriculture Office and Barangay Officials shall conduct an active surveillance for unusual pig mortalities and shall immediately report the same to the office of the Municipal Agriculturist who shall conduct an investigation and request blood sampling for laboratory testing from the Provincial Veterinary Office/ Department of Agriculture.

2. For Barangays with suspected ASF infection

- a. Suspected premises shall be quarantined. No pig, pork, pork products or feeds should be allowed to get out of the piggery to prevent contamination of other piggeries. Likewise no pig should be allowed to get into the suspected premise to prevent being affected.
- b. Sick animals in suspected premises shall not be allowed to be slaughtered.
- c. Dead pig should be buried properly and shall not be thrown to bodies of water, rivers, and creeks or irrigation canals.
- d. Suspected premises shall be disinfected daily to include other surrounding piggeries.
- e. The barangay with suspected ASF case shall also be put under quarantine by establishing barangay check points.

3. For Barangays with positive ASF case

- a. All pigs positive of ASF and potentially infected with ASF in the identified culling area within the 500 meters radius from the infected premises shall be stamped-out (culled). The extent of the culling area will be identified by the representative of the Provincial Veterinary Office, Agriculture Office or the Municipal Agriculture Office in the absence of latter.
- b. Culled pigs shall be disposed of properly by burying in a safe place deep enough to provide at least (6) feet covering.
- c. To prevent the spread of the disease, the barangay with positive case of ASF be put under strict quarantine.
- d. After culling, the infected and potentially infected premise must be disinfected daily for 30 days to kill the virus which is very resistant in the environment outside the host.
- e. No restocking of piggeries shall be made unless the barangay is declared cleared ASF.

4. For barangays without suspected or positive case of ASF

All barangays without suspected or positive case of ASF shall likewise establish check points dubbed as "BANTAY ASF" to monitor and regulate entry of pigs, pork and pork based meat from suspected and positive barangays and exit of sick animals.

5. Suspend entry of Private Feeds Technicians in the different Barangays of Claveria

All Private Feeds Technicians shall not enter in any piggeries and render technical health services on livestock in the different barangays of the municipality until such time that the Claveria will be declared ASF free.

6. Information education campaign

Information campaign in all levels shall be conducted to educate the public especially the raisers on the nature of the disease, control measures and biosecurity.

Furthermore, all Punong Barangays shall submit to the office of the Municipal Agriculture Office monthly reports regarding the directives contained herein for summary and submission to the office of the Mayor.

All issuance, orders, rules, and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconditional, other provisions not affected shall remain in force.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately. Issued this 4th day of August 2021 in the Municipality of Claveria. 08-04-2 08-04-> EDITHA A-HESTO 08-05-21 ELADIO F. YIMAN In. 8/05-21 08-05-21

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