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**SUBJECT : POSTPONEMENT OF 2020 DA-GAWAD SAKA SEARCH**

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In line with the DA Memorandum dated April 14, 2020 with the subject *Refocused Programs/ Activities to Sustain Food Security in the Country Amid COVID-19*, the 2020 Gawad Saka Search is postponed until further notice.

The postponement will allow DA Regional Field Offices as directed, to give priority to the implementation of programs/projects that will immediately result in the increase of food production for the Country. This will also give ample time to the Gawad Saka National Technical Committees to comply with the instruction of Secretary William Dar to broaden the awards criteria to include not only those involved in the production but also those who embrace the inclusive agribusiness approach anchored on the value chain system.

For your information and guidance.

*A food-secure Philippines*

*with prosperous farmers and fisherfolk*



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