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Policy and Regulations of Agriculture Cooperatives

The Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) is an agency created by law to promote the viability and growth of cooperatives as instruments of equity, social justice and economic development to fulfill of the mandate in Section 15, Article XII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution. It is the lead government Agency in cooperative development. As such, it registers and regulates cooperatives.

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The CDA is mandated to conduct management and training programs to provide members of cooperatives with the entrepreneurial capabilities, managerial expertise and technical skills required for efficient operation of their cooperatives with special concern for agrarian reform, agriculture, fishery and the economically depressed sectors.



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The CDA charter emphasized that the promotion and development of agricultural, agrarian and aqua cooperatives: farmers, dairy and fisherfolk and, in coordination with other government agencies shall be a priority program of the Authority to ensure food security and reduce rural poverty.

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Policy and Regulations in support of Farmers Cooperative and Associations (FCAs)

Republic Act No. 7607

An Act providing a Magna Carta of Small Farmers

Chapter VII – Credit



‘that will promote the establishment of strong and viable farmers’ organizations such as cooperatives, credit unions, rotating savings, and credit associations and non-government organizations (NGOs) which play a major role in increasing small farmers’ access to credit. The Government shall promote the establishment of cooperative banks and promote the growth of networks of cooperative banks”

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Policy and Regulations in support of Farmers Cooperative and Associations (FCAs)



Sagip Saka Act

"Instituting the Farmers and Fisherfolk Enterprise Development Program of the Department of Agriculture"

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Policy and Regulations in support of Farmers Cooperative and Associations (FCAs)

Resolution No. 18-2021

Amended Guidelines on the conduct of Community Participation in Procurement



“Organized community groups and other community based-organizations, registered with the appropriate government regulatory body such as SEC, DTI, CDA, DA, NCIP shall be engaged in Negotiated Procurement-Community Participation to supply goods and simple infrastructure projects

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FAST FACTS ON AGRICULTURE COOPERATIVES

AS OF DECEMBER 2021



7,100 Agriculture and Rural-Based Cooperatives



Members
(Millions)

5.98M



Employees

118,000



Assets
(Billions)

265.16



Member's Equity
(Billions)

88.92



Net Surplus
(Billions)

6.51

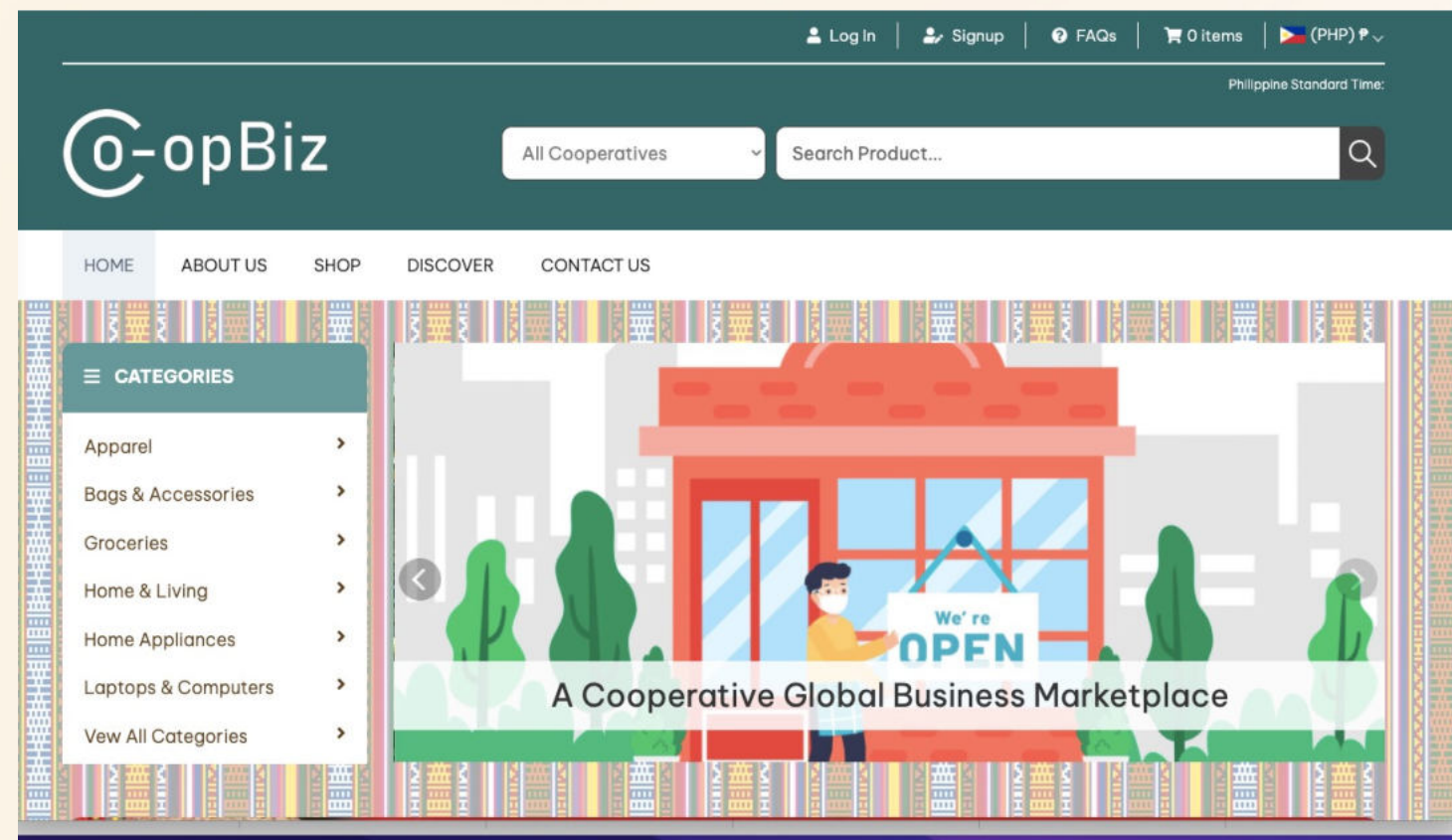
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DIGITALIZATION



COOPBIZ - CDA GLOBAL Is a system designed to serve as a business catalyst for cooperatives and the private sector. It is an online marketing platform and a cooperative global business marketplace. The platform was launched on June 28, 2022 with around 13 cooperatives participated as exhibitors to showcase their products. To date, 70 cooperatives have been registered in the system.

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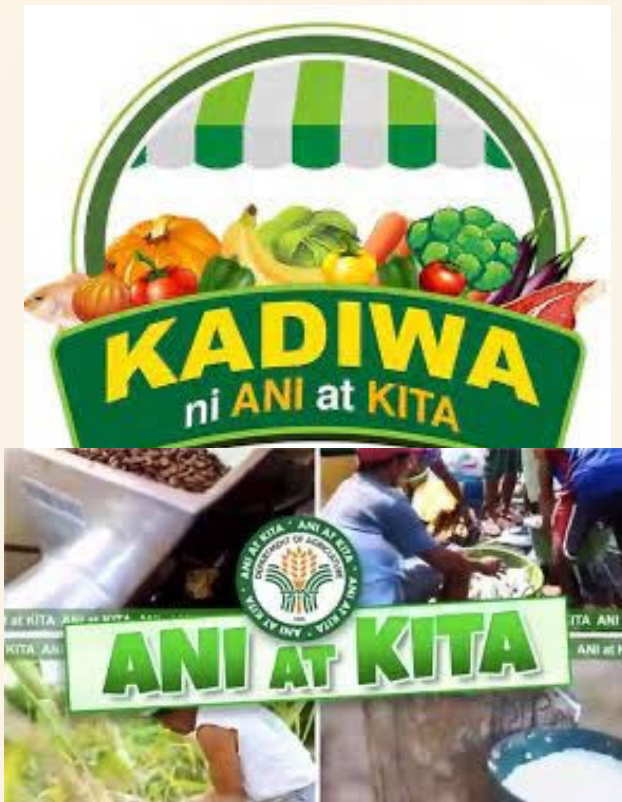
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CDA-DA PARTNERSHP



through Enhanced “Kadiwa ni Ani at Kita Inclusive Food Supply Chain” which provides financial grant for capacity enhancement of the Farmers and Fisherfolk Cooperatives and Associations to become reliable and efficient food commodity suppliers by setting up food depot and engaging Community Based Organizations (CBOs) to operate and manage the KADIWA markets (palengke) and community retail stores;

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CDA-PHILMECH PARTNERSHIP

An entrepreneurial capability enhancement program for machinery beneficiaries of the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund (RCEF) Mechanization Program.

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**CDA-Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA)
Partnership**

Coconut farmers organization and
development through cooperatives
(COCOFARMCOOP)

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CDA-PFDA PARTNERSHIP

An IsDA ON THE GO Project which aims to empower the cooperatives by providing free use of refrigerated vans and chest freezers to identified cooperative beneficiaries in the distribution and marketing of fisheries products.

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CDA-BFAR PARTNERSHIP

A program to strengthen fishermen cooperatives through capacity building, market linkages, and access to affordable credit and scale up the productivity of cooperatives engaged in mariculture parks.

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- **CDA-Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) Partnership**

Capacity building on financial and operational management including access to financial services offered by the DBP.

- **CDA capability building program for micro and small Cooperatives**

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Response to the Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic to Agricultural Cooperatives Development

- Intensification of collaboration with National Government Agencies and cooperative development partners in providing assistance to agriculture cooperatives, (e.g. Kadiwa ni Ani at Kita in partnership with DA in terms of mobility of agricultural products in the Kadiwa outlets and LGU markets, IsDA on the GO with PFDA, market linkages with BFAR and capacity building with PHILMECH and others)
- Enhancement of capacity building to agriculture cooperatives using virtual platform in terms of the following:
 - a. Entrepreneurial skills, financial literacy
 - b. Agricultural innovation and technologies
- Accessibility to online marketing platform such as **CoopBIZ** on the products of agriculture cooperatives.

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Challenges in Agriculture Cooperative Development

Small size of
land per Farmer

High Cost of
farm inputs

Poor technology
and reliance on
manual works

High cost of
transportation

Low selling
price of produce

Lack of
economy of
scale

Lack of access
to finance

Dominance of
Traders and
middle-men

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Recommendations for Regional Cooperation

- Intensification of program for the promotion and exchange of products among AMS;
- Establishment of system/network for the marketing of inputs and products through physical and online, capacity building and policy development among AMS.

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