



23 March 2017

**Senator ALAN PETER S. CAYETANO**

Chairperson  
Committee on Agrarian Reform  
Philippine Senate  
Pasay City

**Dear Chairperson Cayetano,**

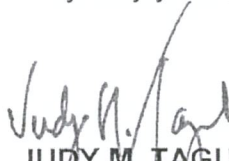
The Department of Social Welfare and Development supports Senate Bill Nos. 28, 799 and 1056 which provide for the completion of the Land Acquisition and Distribution (LAD) Component of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program and the grant of Full Crop Insurance Coverage to qualified program beneficiaries.

In line with this, may we suggest the consolidation of these bills into one and the possibility of looking into the other gaps of Republic Act No. 6657 or the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) and Republic Act No. 9700 or CARP Extension with Reforms which may already be addressed by legislation.

May we also inform the Chairperson that the Genuine Agrarian Reform Bill is one of the priority legislations of the Human Development and Poverty Reduction Cluster (HDPRC) which our Department chairs.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
**JUDY M. TAGUIWALO**  
Secretary