

DA12 new thinking approach

The Department of Agriculture (DA) 12 under the leadership of Regional Executive Director Arlan Mangelen has set new directives to support and elevate the agri-fishery growth in the country.

In a meeting of division heads and section chiefs today, Director Mangelen has laid down the DA 12's 2021 Policy Thrusts and Directions.

"Kahit na may pandemya, napanatili nating sapat ang pagkain ng mga kababayan natin noong nakaraang taon...Ngayong 2021, mas palalaksin natin ang sektor ng agrikultura at pangisdaan sa rehiyon at palalawakin ang serbisyo ng ating ahensiya.," the director said.

With the country's new record of rice production level, he also lauded the efforts of all DA 12 personnel.

"Sa taong 2020, nakapagtala ang Pilipinas ng nasa 19.44 million metric tons sa rice production. Kaisa po ang rehiyon natin sa mga nakapagpalago at nakapagpanatili sa produksiyon ng palay sa ating bansa," the director added.

Further, this year, the DA 12 has a total budget allocation of more than PhP 2.4-Billion for the recovery of agri-fishery sector in SOCCSKSARGEN area.

"Sa pondo na meron tayo ngayon, mas maraming mga magsasaka at mangingisda ang mapagsisilbihan natin tungo sa "Masaganang Ani at Mataas na Kita," director Mangelen said.
