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SUBJECT: GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTEGRATED NATIONAL SWINE PRODUCTION INITIATIVES FOR RECOVERY AND EXPANSION (INSPIRE)

I. OBJECTIVES

General: To hasten the recovery of the hog industry by enhancing hog production in the Philippines to ensure availability, accessibility, and affordability of pork and pork products.

Specific:

- To restore swine production as livelihoods and increase income among swine backyard raisers in areas affected by ASF through calibrated repopulation and restocking;
- To expand market opportunities for small hold farmers through value adding on their produce, to cater to meat cutting needs for local market, processors and other retail markets;
- To ensure the continuous supply and availability of swine and pork products to stabilize pork prices;
- To restock government farms and facilities with swine breeders and stocks to assist in the production of genetically sound animals for subsequent distribution to backyard farmer beneficiaries.

II. DEFINITION OF TERMS

As used in this Guideline, the following terms, words, and phrases shall be construed as:

1. ASF-affected Farmers- Are hog farmers who are directly or indirectly affected by the spread of ASF in their areas and communities that led to losses in production and incomes.
2. Backyard Hog Farmer- A household or farm-based hog raiser with 1 to 20 heads of growing or adult pigs (suckling pigs excluded) in the vicinity of their residences and properties.
3. Biosecurity - implementation of measures that reduce the risk of disease agents being introduced and spread. The three main elements of biosecurity are segregation, cleaning, and disinfection (FAO, Good Practices for Biosecurity for the Swine Sector, 2010)
4. Cluster- an organized group of backyard hog raisers located in a village or are adjacent to each other with an average of 20 members.
5. Government Swine Farms and Stations- These are farms and stations that operates and manages swine production for the purposes of producing breeders and stocks for research, training, livelihood programs, or income generation. These could be under the management of DA, DA agencies, RFOs, SUCs, or LGUs.
6. Selected Farmer Beneficiaries - are backyard hog farmers belonging to a cluster or organization of hog farmers affected by ASF.

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