

DSWD, UNFAO sign agreement for shock-responsive social protection

The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and the United Nations – Food and Agriculture Organization (UN-FAO) are set to sign a cooperation agreement to mainstream the Shock-Responsive Social Protection (SRSP) system on July 27.

The Cooperation Agreement provides a framework for the collaboration between the DSWD and the UN-FAO to work towards the adoption of the Philippine Roadmap on Shock Responsive Social Protection and other potential initiatives relevant to resilience building of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) beneficiaries and other vulnerable households.

The Cooperation Agreement is accompanied by a two-year work plan providing critical steps to the development of an adaptive and shock-responsive social protection as reflected in the Philippine Social Protection Framework and Plan 2020-2022. It aims to strengthen coordination mechanisms with inter-governmental agencies, strengthening of capacities of concerned institutions, and pilot testing of integrated social protection approaches from regular and ancillary programs and services in selected areas around the country.

The event will be attended by DSWD Secretary Rolando Joselito D. Bautista, Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei Nograles, UN-FAO Country Representative Ms. Kati Hannele Tanninen, members of the DSWD executive and management committees, and senior officials from partner national government agencies and UN agencies.

The Department is confident that with the new partnership with the UN-FAO, more poor families and vulnerable communities will have access to social protection programs that are responsive

to their holistic needs. ###