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# PROF. ROSA OPHELIA D. VELARDE

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Office of the Vice President for Research, Extension, & Innovation
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Dear Prof. Velarde,

Greetings!

May I request to change the title of my Research Project entitle: "Participatory of Organically Grown Rabbits Supplemented with Different Forages and Pelletized Concentrate Mixture" into "Formulation of Home-mixed Pellet Ration as Dietary Supplement in Postweaned Rabbits". This changes was made in accordance with the comments and suggestions of Technical Working Group (TWG) on "Animal and Livestock Commodity" during the in-house review presentation last August 2, 2022.

Attached herewith is the proposal for the new project title.

Looking forward for the approval of this request.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

JEROME O. ARRIBADO

Project Leader







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## RESEARCH PROPOSAL

#### I. BASIC INFORMATION

Study Title:

Formulation of Home-mixed Pellet Ration as Dietary Supplement in

Post-weaned Rabbits

Study Leader:

Jerome O. Arribado

Implementing Unit: Ecological Farm and Resource Management Institute (Eco-FARMI)

Visayas State University

Location:

Eco-FARMI Demonstration Farm

Duration:

12 Months (Extended to July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)

Proposed Budget: Php 227,025.28

Discipline:

Animal nutrition/Animal Production

Classification:

Basic Research

#### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION** II.

### A. Rationale

Over the years, Philippine population has always been growing. This continuous growing population is bound with high food demands for survival and sustainability. In particular, human entails a certain supply and amount of quality meat products. But recently, animal industry in the country is facing endemic challenges caused by the diseases called African Swine Fever (ASF), and bird flu that is highly contagious. Because of these, many of our domestic animals were killed and the mobility of the live pigs and poultry from one place to another gets restricted making the shortage supply in the market for human consumption. The problem of decreasing these meat supply may lead to finding an alternative source of quality meat.

Rabbit meat has the potential to be an alternative source of meat. According to Hemandez et al 2000, problems on meat shortage can partly solved by the rabbit meat,