

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This agreement made and entered into by and between:

KAISAHAN tungo sa Kaunlaran ng Kanayunan at Repormang Pansakahan, Inc., a non-government organization established in 1990 to empower local communities to secure their land tenure, sustain their productivity, and nurture the integrity of their ecosystems towards improved quality of life for all, based at 38-B Mapagsangguni St. Sikatuna Village, Quezon City, duly represented by its Executive Director, **ANTHONY N. MARZAN** and hereinafter referred to as "**FIRST PARTY**".

-and-

The **VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY (VSU)**, an institution of higher learning established under Pres. Decree No. 470 as amended by Pres. Decree No. 700, and converted into a state university by virtue of R.A. 9158 and 9437, with principal office at Visca, Baybay City, Leyte, Philippines, duly represented by the University President, **DR. PROSE IVY G. YEPES**, herein referred to as **SECOND PARTY**;

-WITNESSETH-

WHEREAS, the **FIRST PARTY** promotes the Agro-Enterprise Clustering Approach or AECA as a method to provide better livelihood opportunities for its farmer-partners and to improve the quality of their lives through efficient and effective marketing of their agricultural products;

WHEREAS, the **FIRST PARTY** is conducting an Onion Replanting Trial in three barangays in Ormoc City, Kananga municipality, and Alang-alang municipality, with the support of the Jollibee Group Foundation and MISEREOR to identify areas feasible for growing onions in Leyte province;

WHEREAS, the **SECOND PARTY**, through **Farm and Resource Management Institute (FARMI)**, is actively conducting research, development & extension activities on organic or natural farming in support of the Republic Act 10068, otherwise known as the "Development and Promotion of Organic Agriculture in the Philippines";

WHEREAS, the **SECOND PARTY** also adopted the JGF-Agro Enterprise Clustering Approach (AECA) as an Extension Project and has successfully undertaken Onion Production