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| Food Safety Governance and Policy System in the Philippines

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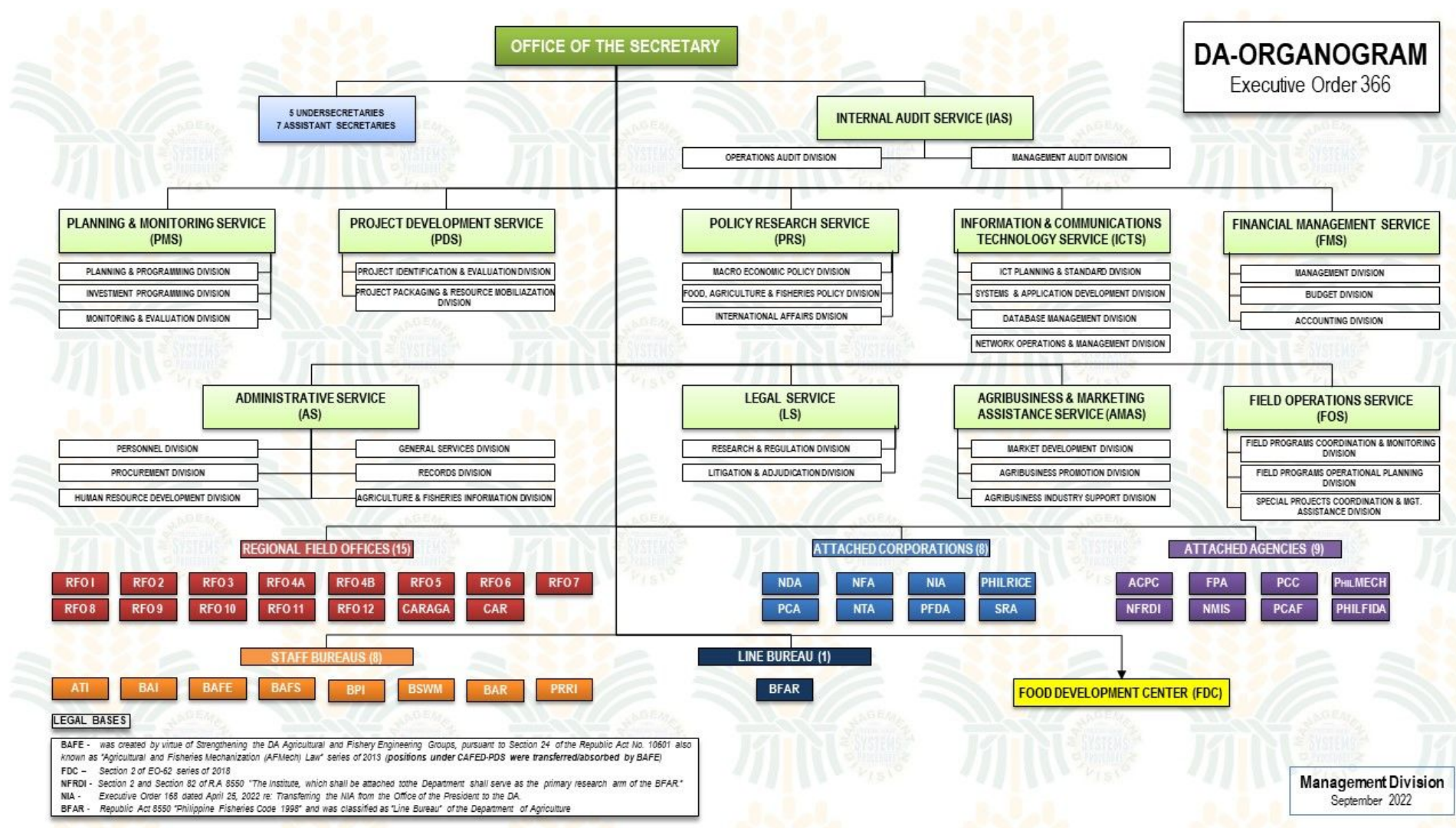
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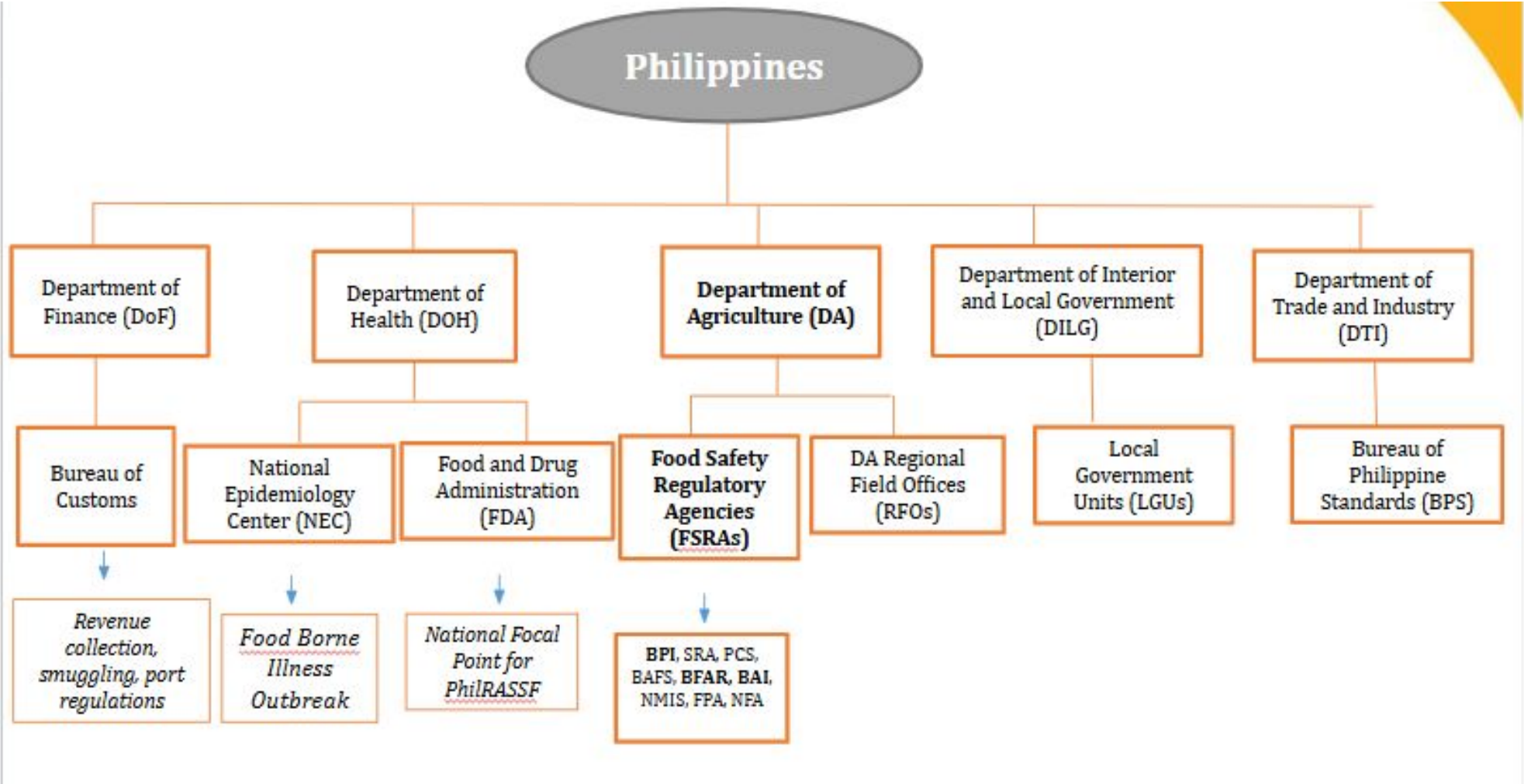
Philippine Department of Agriculture: Organizational Structure

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Agencies involved in Food Safety, Importation, and Exportation

(based on Food Safety Act of 2013)



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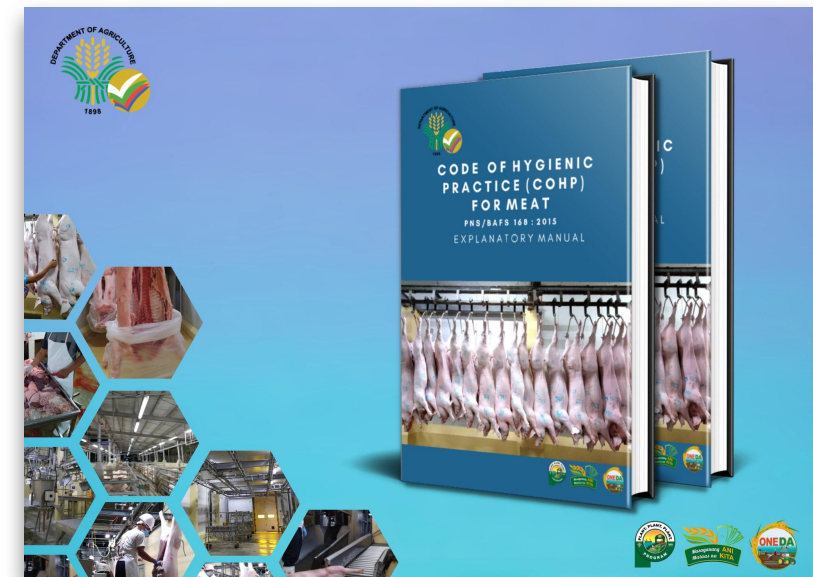
1. DA Food Safety Focal Group

This group, headed by the DA-Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy and Regulations (OASPR), that plans, formulates, monitors, and evaluates all food safety-related initiatives. It also serves as a consolidator and disseminator of food safety information.



2. Agricultural Training Institute

ATI conducts **training** and **capacity-building programs** on Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) to improve food systems and ensure public health.



3. Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards

BAFS **develops** and **implements food safety standards** and regulations, including those for food processing and handling.

Philippine Department of Agriculture: Key Food Safety Programs and Initiatives

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4. Food Safety Awareness Campaigns

The DA organizes campaigns, such as the Food Safety Awareness Week, to raise public awareness about food safety practices.



5. Food Development Center

FDC offers services like product testing, analysis, product development, plant inspection, and training.

Philippine Department of Agriculture: Key Food Safety Programs and Initiatives

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6. Proactive SPS Measures

Banning of importation of various products from those country with quarantine issues like ASF, AI and other transboundary animal diseases.



7. Designation of Regional Food Safety Coordinators

Aims to strengthen the implementation of food safety policies at the local level by ensuring coordinated oversight, timely risk communication, and consistent application of standards across regions.

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02 Bureau of Animal Industry: Legal Mandate and Thrusts on Food Safety



Ministry of Food and
Drug Safety

Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)



The BAI was created on January 1, 1930 pursuant to Act 3639 to investigate, study, and report the cause of communicable diseases and the means of prevention, and in general, promote the development of the livestock industries.

Bureau of Animal Industry: Legal Mandate and Thrusts on Food Safety

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Food Safety Act of 2013

Being one of the regulatory agencies under the Department of Agriculture is responsible for the enforcement of food safety standards and regulations in the primary and post harvest stages of food derived from animals including eggs and honey.

RA 1556 of 1956 (as amended by PD 7)

Regulates the manufacture, importation, labeling, advertising and sale of livestock and poultry feeds

Bureau of Animal Industry: Legal Mandate and Thrusts on Food Safety



Vision

A premier agency for a vibrant and globally competitive animal industry towards food security by 2030.

Mission

To make the animal industry productive, profitable, and sustainable through sound policies, programs, research, and services on animal production, post-harvest, health, and welfare.

Core Values



INTEGRITY



PROFESSIONALISM



PROACTIVE
ORIENTATION



ACCOUNTABILITY



COLLABORATION

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Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP) Surveillance

Philippine Native Animal Development (PNAD) Program

Multiplier Breeder Loan Program

African Horse Sickness (AHS) Surveillance and Reconfirmation of Freedom

Peste des petits ruminants (PPR), Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD), Brucellosis

Food Safety

Cold Examination Facility Agriculture (CEFA)

National African Swine Fever Prevention and Control Program

Bureau of Animal Industry: Legal Mandate and Thrusts on Food Safety



Food Safety	
Proponent Activities:	
Animal Feeds Veterinary Drug Biologics Control Division (AFVDBCD)	
a. Antimicrobial Usage	
b. Antimicrobial Resistance	
c. Monitoring and Surveillance	
Animal Health and Welfare Division (AHWD)	
a. Antimicrobial Usage	
b. Good Animal Husbandry Practices	
c. Salmonella Control Program	
Livestock Research Development Division (LRDD)	
a. Apiculture (Honey Production)	
Veterinary Laboratory Division (VLD)	
a. Bee Disease and Diagnosis (ADDRL)	
b. Antimicrobial Resistance (ADDRL)	
c. Salmonella Testing (ADDRL)	
d. Veterinary Drugs and Veterinary Drug Residue (CFAS)	
e. Aflatoxin and other Mycotoxins (CFAS)	
Compliance to the Republic Act 10611 of Food Safety Act of 2013	
An act to strengthen the food safety regulatory system in the country to protect consumer health and facilitate market access to local foods products and for other purposes.]	
Under Section 16(a) states that the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) shall have the food safety regulatory functions for food derived from animals including Eggs and Honey production.	

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National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS)

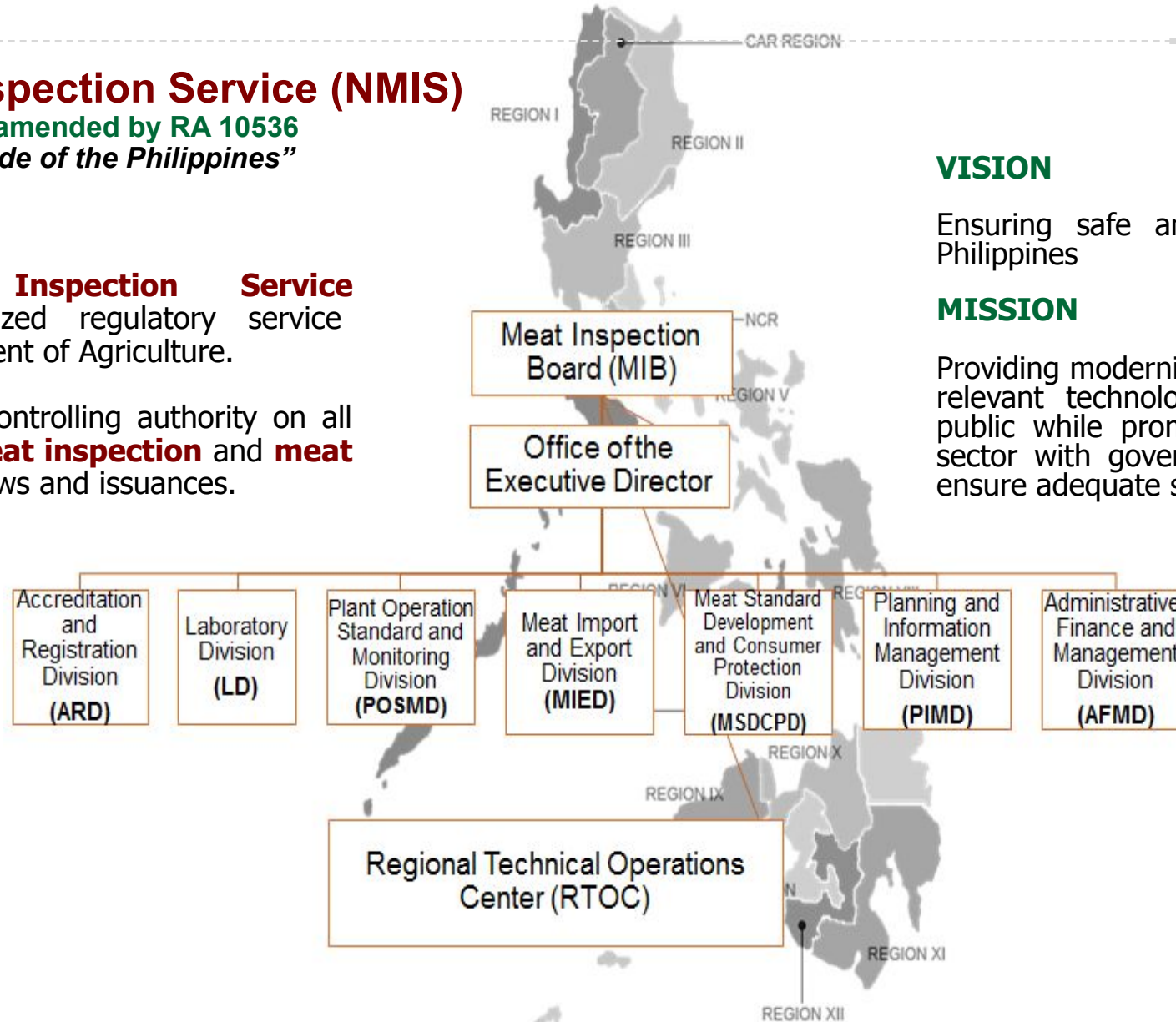
REPUBLIC ACT 9296 as amended by RA 10536

"The Meat Inspection Code of the Philippines"

MANDATE

The National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) is a specialized regulatory service attached to the Department of Agriculture.

It is the sole national controlling authority on all matters pertaining to **meat inspection** and **meat hygiene** as guided by laws and issuances.



VISION

Ensuring safe and quality meat for a healthy Philippines

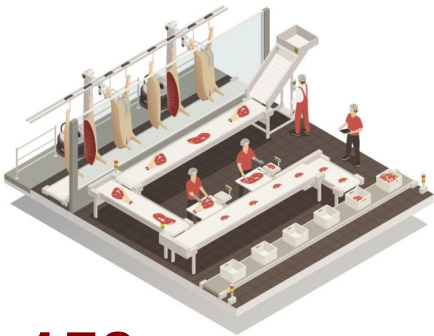
MISSION

Providing modernized meat inspection service using relevant technologies to protect the consuming public while promoting the livestock and poultry sector with government and industry partners to ensure adequate supply of meat

National Meat Inspection Service: Legal Mandate and Thrusts on Food Safety



167 Poultry Dressing Plants



150 Slaughterhouses



256 Cold Storage Warehouses



100 Meat Cutting Plants

NMIS Offices	
Central Office (CO)	7 Divisions
Regional Technical Operation Centers (RTOC)	16 Regions

Manpower Profile				
Place of Assignment	Veterinarians	Meat Inspector	Other Technical & Admin. Positions	Contract Of Service
Central Office	20	28	26	60
RTOC	79	157	0	82
Total	99	185	26	142

Source: Data retrieved from the NMIS - Accreditation and Registration Division as of June 2, 2025

Source: Data retrieved from the Human Resource Management (HRM) Section as of January 21, 2025

National Meat Inspection Service: Legal Mandate and Thrusts on Food Safety

Accreditation, Registration and Licensing of Meat Establishments

Compliance of meat establishments to meat safety and quality assurance program consisting of **Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), Sanitation Standards Operating Procedures (SSOP)** and **Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP)**



Implementation of Risk-Based Meat Inspection Services

Supervise the operation and enforcement of rules and regulations on meat inspection/control system and monitor the compliance to **Hygiene and Sanitation, Food Safety Program, Animal Welfare Program,** and **Ante and Post Mortem Inspections**



Meat Import and Export

The NMIS evaluates foreign meat establishments intending to export to the Philippines, accredit meat importers and exporters, inspect imported meat, certify for export and provide technical assistance to exporters



Laboratory Testing and Analytical Services

- 1. Meat Parasites Monitoring Program
- 2. Pathogen Monitoring Program
- 3. National Veterinary Drug Residue Program
- 4. Antimicrobial Resistance Program
- 5. Surveillance Program on Imported Meat



Promotion of Food Safety Advocacy and Public Awareness

NMIS social media pages are used to communicate trust and integrity while maintaining brand coherence in promoting the agency's vision and mission.



National Meat Inspection Service: Relevant Regulations on Imported Meat

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LEGAL BASES ON IMPORTATION

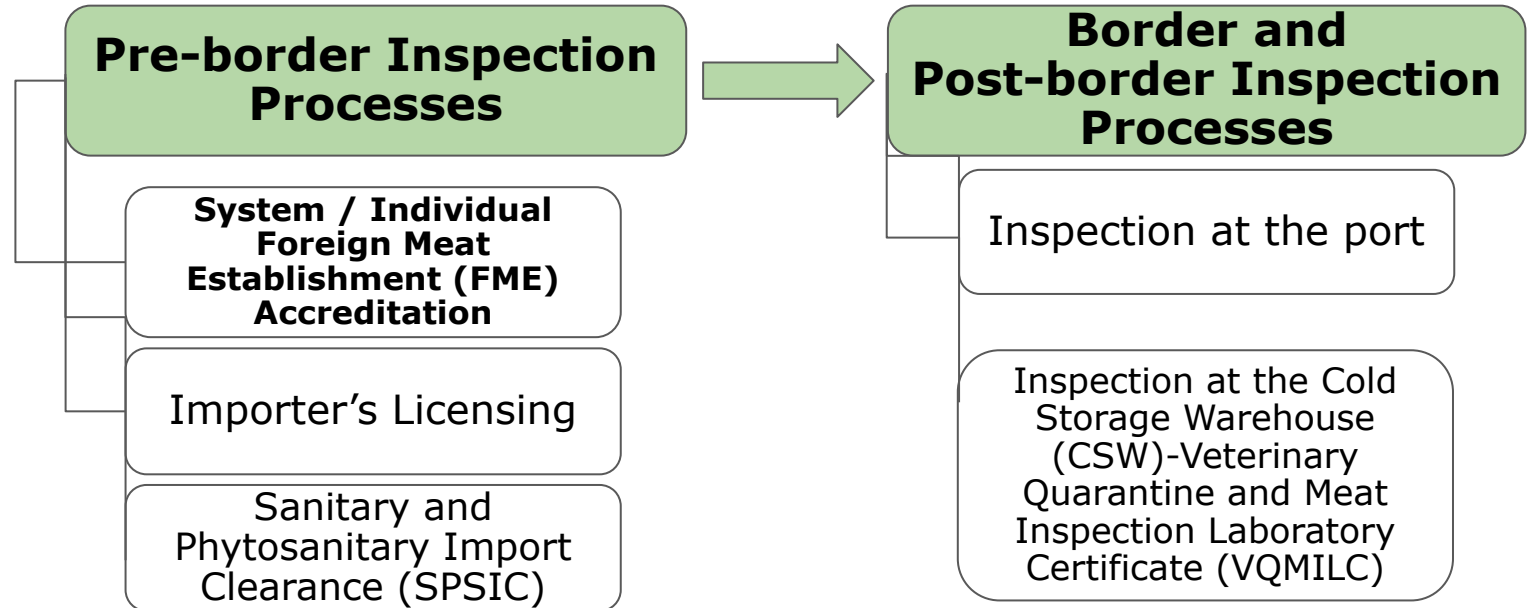
Republic Act No. 9296, otherwise known as the Meat Inspection Code of the Philippines as amended by R.A 10536

Department of Agriculture (DA) Administrative Order (AO) No. 26, Series of 2005, "Revised Rules, Regulations, and Standards Governing the Importation of Meat and Meat Products to the Philippines"

Department of Agriculture (DA) Administrative Order (AO) No. 16, Series of 2006, "Pre-Border Measures for the Export of Meat and Meat Products to the Philippines"

Department of Agriculture (DA) Administrative Order (AO) No. 24, Series of 2010, "Guidelines on the Labeling of Meat and Meat Products"

NMIS Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 05-2023-011 "Guidelines on the Management of Adverse Food Safety and Quality Findings during the conduct of Meat Inspection at the NMIS-Licensed Cold Storage Warehouses"





National Meat Inspection Service: Relevant Regulations on Imported Meat

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SPS CLEARANCE

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SPS Clearance Number	VQMILC Number	Container No.	Date Sent	Company	CommodityDescription	Status
ICDABAIQ201222340073	182061702	MNEU3434940	5/17/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN BEEF FAT	DA Quarantine Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222350964	182062871	KMTU5905216	5/13/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN HALAL BONELESS BUFFALO MEAT TRIMMINGS	DA Quarantine Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222351901	182059883	OOLU6153318	5/13/2022	PRIMEBEEF COMPANY, INC.	FROZEN BEEF RIBEYE BONELESS	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201212333205	182059887	OTPU6001366	5/13/2022	PRIMEBEEF COMPANY, INC.	FROZEN PORK FRONT HOCK WITH FOOT	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222346411	182058417	OOLU6530474	5/13/2022	PRIMEBEEF COMPANY, INC.	FROZEN BEEF SHORTPLATE (NAVEL) BONELESS	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222335249	182062408	SUDU8072053	5/12/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN CHICKEN MEAT MECHANICALLY SEPARATED	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222335259	182062404	MMAU1099417	5/12/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN CHICKEN MEAT MECHANICALLY SEPARATED	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222335257	182059313	CNIU2234157	5/12/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN CHICKEN MEAT MECHANICALLY SEPARATED	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201212333675	182055771	FSCU5712881	5/10/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN BEEF FAT	Inspected
ICDABAIQ201222344829	182057706	MEDU9879995	5/4/2022	FRABELLE CORPORATION	FROZEN CHICKEN MDM	Inspected

Department of Agriculture

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Agriculture
Office of the Secretary
Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City,
Philippines

VQMILC No. 182567365

VETERINARY QUARANTINE AND MEAT INSPECTION AND LABORATORY CERTIFICATE (VQMILC)

This is to CERTIFY that the undersigned had inspected the shipment described below:
Under the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI):

Consignee	SO-NICE INTERNATIONAL CORP.
Commodity/Kind of Product	FROZEN CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS
HSCode	02071499 100
Production and Expiry	03/12/2024, 03/12/2025
Lot/Batch Size	1753 UNDETERMINED/UNPACKED/UNPAKAGED
VQC Number	ICDABAIQ201242489703
IVC Number	MPP-305605
Foreign Manufacture Establishment Name Number	P 7342/7485
Country of Origin	US
Volume in Kilos	26295 KGS
Number of Containers	1
Container Number/s	MNBU0547373
BAI Seal Number/s	010287
Port of Arrival	Manila Intl Container Port
Date of Arrival	6/10/2024
Date of clearance/release to NMIS	6/14/2024
Identified NMIS accredited cold storage destination/s	Igloo Supply Chain Philippines, Inc.

Reynaldo Quilang
BAI Veterinary Quarantine Officer/Inspector
Electronically Tagged. No signature required

Under the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS)

Name of accredited cold storage	Igloo Supply Chain Philippines, Inc.
Date/Time of arrival in accredited cold storage	06/15/2024 12:15 AM
Date/Time of inspection	06/15/2024 03:30 PM
Date/Time of collection of samples for laboratory analysis (when necessary)	N/A
Date/Control No. of Laboratory Report	N/A
Date/Time of clearance	06/15/2024 05:22 PM
Remarks	AIP ajc, 15kgs, P7342, march 2024/2025

Ma. Irene Lagamayo
NMIS Meat Control Officer/Meat Inspector
Electronically Tagged. No signature required.

This further certifies that said importation complied with all the requirements of the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS), Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and had been subjected to inspection and/ or laboratory analysis by the National Meat Inspection Service and found to be fit for human consumption. This document serves as the basis of the Bureau of Customs (BOC) for the final release of the import documents to the Consignee.

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04 Updates and Revisions to the
National Food Safety Regulatory System
(Last 3 Years)

1. Inspection of domestic food (the last three years)

Category		Inspection sample cases by Government	(The total number of non-compliant food(adulterated) samples under inspection)
2024	Livestock products	Enforcement, Post Meat Establishment Monitoring, and Strike Operations	19,389.34 kilograms
		Condemnation from ante and post-mortem inspection at NMIS-Licensed Slaughterhouses	8,187,724.82 kilograms
2023	Livestock products	Enforcement, Post Meat Establishment Monitoring, and Strike Operations	18,789.18 kilograms
		Condemnation from ante and post-mortem inspection at NMIS-Licensed Slaughterhouses	5,857,554.715 kilograms
2022	Livestock products	Enforcement, Post Meat Establishment Monitoring, and Strike Operations	4,127.93 kilograms
		Condemnation from ante and post-mortem inspection at NMIS-Licensed Slaughterhouses	3,398,126.81 kilograms

Source: Data retrieved from NMIS Annual Reports (2022, 2023, 2024)

2. Policy and Legislation on Food safety (the last three years)

	Updated legal document	Improved policies and systems
2024	<p>BAI - Memorandum Circular No. 18 S. 2025: Diagnostic Testing and Decision Protocol for Imported Live Animals under the Mandatory 30-Day Quarantine Period</p> <p>BAI - Memorandum Circular No. 30 S. 2024: List of BAI Priority Animal Disease and Procedures on Animal Disease Reporting</p> <p>DA - Administrative Circular No. 7 S. 2024: National Veterinary Drug Residue Surveillance and Monitoring Plan (NVR SMP) for Animal Feeds, Eggs, Honey Production, and Raw Milk</p>	<p>Meat Safety and Quality Assurance: Adoption of the National Food Control System (NFCS) Checklist for Inspection of Competent Authority and Foreign Meat Establishment during Department of Agriculture Inspection Mission (DAIM)</p> <p>Animal Disease Surveillance and Response Program: Heightened Alert on Meat Inspection due to the spread of African Swine Fever (ASF)</p> <p>Meat Safety and Quality Assurance: Guidelines on the On-Site Environmental Hygiene and Pathogens Monitoring</p>
2023		<p>Meat Safety and Quality Assurance: Providing Reference on National Food Control System (NFCS) for NMIS Meat Safety and Quality Assurance (MSQA) Auditors as Guidance in the conduct of Department of Agriculture Inspection Mission (DAIM)</p> <p>Meat Import and Export: Guidelines on the Management of Adverse Food Safety and Quality Findings during the conduct of Meat Inspection at NMIS- Licensed Cold Storage Warehouses (CSW)</p>
2022	<p>DA Administrative Circular 06 of 2022: Revised rules and regulations governing the importation of agricultural and fish and fishery/aquatic products; animal feeds, feed ingredients and feed additives; and fertilizers, pesticides and other agricultural chemical products into the Philippines</p> <p>FDA Circular No. 2022-012: Provides updated microbiological requirements and assessment procedures for certain pre-packaged processed food products, repealing the previous FDA Circular No. 2013-010</p>	<p>Meat Import and Export: Guidelines for the 2022 NMIS Surveillance of Imported Buffalo Meat and Mechanically Separated Meat (MSM)</p>

4. Examples of Korea's food safety management system

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Examples of the introduction or planned implementation of Korea's food safety management system

1. **Model for Structural Requirements of Meat Establishments**

The Philippines plans to adopt Korea's stringent structural and hygienic design standards for slaughterhouses and meat processing plants to enhance compliance with international food safety benchmarks.

2. **Risk-Based Meat Inspection**

This involves tailoring inspection intensity and frequency based on the specific risk profiles of establishments, and history of compliance. The DA is committed to allocate resources efficiently while improving the detection of food safety hazards.

3. **Risk Communication**

A key lesson from Korea is the importance of effective risk communication among stakeholders. The Philippines intends to institutionalize mechanisms and web-based alert systems for transparent and timely dissemination of food safety alerts, inspection outcomes, and scientific updates.

4. **Integrated Product Traceability System**

Korea's integrated product traceability system, which tracks the movement of animals and meat products throughout the supply chain, is being studied for implementation.

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5. Integration of Information Systems

Plans are underway to modernize the country's food safety data systems to enable real-time access, inter-agency collaboration, and evidence-based decision-making. Korea's use of centralized digital platforms for data gathering, inspection records, certification, and monitoring is seen as a model for the Philippines.

6. Certification and Grading Systems

The Philippines is also exploring the implementation of national certification and grading systems for meat quality and safety, similar to Korea's model. This would help in market segmentation, improve consumer confidence, and encourage industry compliance with higher food safety standards.

7. Cold Chain Management

Recognizing Korea's well-established cold chain infrastructure, the Philippines aims to improve its own cold chain logistics, particularly for transporting and storing meat products, to ensure temperature control throughout the supply chain.

8. Capacity Building and Training

To support these initiatives, the Philippines is planning structured training programs for inspectors, veterinarians, and meat handlers, modeled after Korea's professional development systems, to ensure competence in food safety standards and risk assessment.

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Maraming Salamat po.

Thank you.

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