AREA V
RESEARCH

I.2. establishes linkages with the local/national/international agencies for funding support and assistance.

Parameter B – Funding and Other Resources

Establishes linkages with the local/national/international agencies for funding support and assistance.

The institution has established linkages with various research agencies and institutions at the regional, national, and international levels to strengthen its research capabilities and promote collaboration in research, development, and innovation. These linkages provide opportunities for knowledge sharing, technical assistance, access to research resources, collaborative projects, and participation in research initiatives that address relevant regional, national, and global development priorities.

At the regional level, the institution maintains linkages with the SOCCSKSARGEN Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development Consortium, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region XII, CRIEERDC, and the Philippine Council for Health Research and Development. These agencies and research organizations provide avenues for regional research collaboration, capacity building, and the dissemination of research outputs in areas relevant to the region's development needs.

At the national level, the institution's research linkages include the Bureau of Agricultural Research, Department of Agriculture, Philippine Carabao Center, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, Agricultural Training Institute, Philippine Coconut Authority, Department of Science and Technology, Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development, Philippine Council for Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Research and Development, Philippine Council for Health Research and Development, National Research Council of the Philippines, Department of Trade and Industry, Commission on Higher Education, and Philippine Industrial Crops Research Institute. These institutions offer potential avenues for research

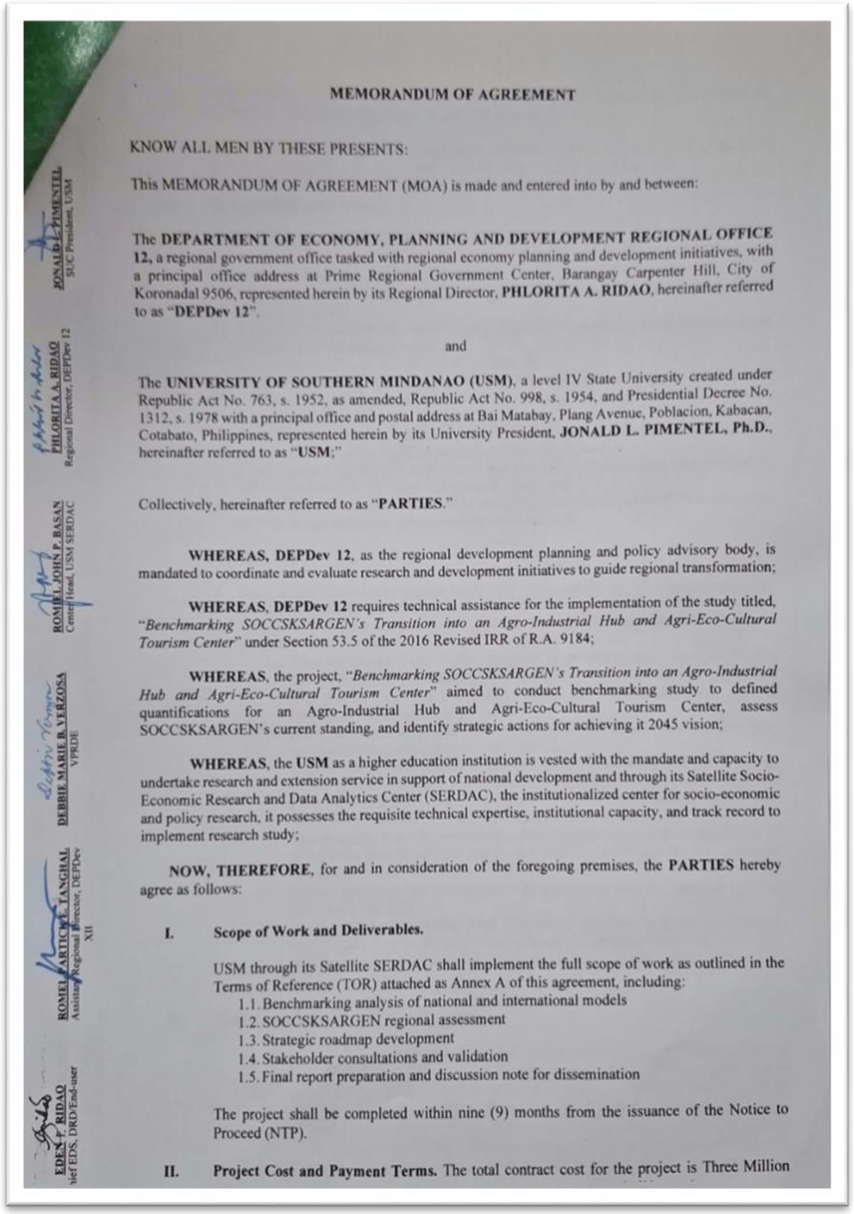
collaboration, technical expertise, funding opportunities, and the development of research initiatives aligned with national priorities in education, agriculture, fisheries, health, industry, science, technology, and economic development.

At the international level, the institution has identified linkages with CIRAD, the International Rubber Association, and the International Rubber Research and Development Board. These linkages provide opportunities to engage with international research networks, exchange scientific knowledge, and explore collaborative initiatives addressing relevant global research and development concerns.

Overall, these institutional linkages demonstrate a commitment to strengthening research partnerships and expanding opportunities for collaborative inquiry. Through engagement with regional, national, and international agencies, the institution can enhance its research capacity, encourage interdisciplinary collaboration, support the development of innovative solutions, and promote the dissemination and practical application of research findings. These partnerships also contribute to aligning institutional research initiatives with broader development priorities and strengthening the institution's role in advancing research, innovation, and community development.

	Agencies
Regional Level	SOCCSKSARGEN Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development Consortium
	DOST Region XII
	CRIEERDC
	Philippine Council for Health Research and Development
National Level	Bureau of Agricultural Research
	Department of Agriculture
	Philippine Carabao Center
	Bureau of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources

	Agricultural Training Institute
	Philippine Coconut Authority
	Department of Science and Technology
	Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development
	Philippine Council for Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Research and Development
	Philippine Council for Health Research and Development
	National Research Council of the Philippines
	Department of Trade and Industry
	Commission of Higher Education
	Philippine Industrial Crops Research Institute
	Ministry of Trade, Investment and Tourism - BARMM
	Department of Economy, Planning and Development
International Level	CIRAD
	International Rubber Association
	International Rubber Research and Development Board



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) is made and entered into by and between:

The **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMY, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL OFFICE 12,** a regional government office tasked with regional economy planning and development initiatives, with a principal office address at Prime Regional Government Center, Barangay Carpenter Hill, City of Koronadal 9506, represented herein by its Regional Director, **PHLORITA A. RIDAO**, hereinafter referred to as "**DEPDev 12**".

and

The **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO (USM)**, a level IV State University created under Republic Act No. 763, s. 1952, as amended, Republic Act No. 998, s. 1954, and Presidential Decree No. 1312, s. 1978 with a principal office and postal address at Bai Matabay, Plang Avenue, Poblacion, Kabacan, Cotabato, Philippines, represented herein by its University President, **JONALD L. PIMENTEL, Ph.D.**, hereinafter referred to as "**USM**;"

Collectively, hereinafter referred to as "**PARTIES**."

WHEREAS, DEPDev 12, as the regional development planning and policy advisory body, is mandated to coordinate and evaluate research and development initiatives to guide regional transformation;

WHEREAS, DEPDev 12 requires technical assistance for the implementation of the study titled, "*Benchmarking SOCCSKSARGEN's Transition into an Agro-Industrial Hub and Agri-Eco-Cultural Tourism Center*" under Section 53.5 of the 2016 Revised IRR of R.A. 9184;

WHEREAS, the project, "*Benchmarking SOCCSKSARGEN's Transition into an Agro-Industrial Hub and Agri-Eco-Cultural Tourism Center*" aimed to conduct benchmarking study to defined quantifications for an Agro-Industrial Hub and Agri-Eco-Cultural Tourism Center, assess SOCCSKSARGEN's current standing, and identify strategic actions for achieving it 2045 vision;

WHEREAS, the **USM** as a higher education institution is vested with the mandate and capacity to undertake research and extension service in support of national development and through its Satellite Socio-Economic Research and Data Analytics Center (SERDAC), the institutionalized center for socio-economic and policy research, it possesses the requisite technical expertise, institutional capacity, and track record to implement research study;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the **PARTIES** hereby agree as follows:

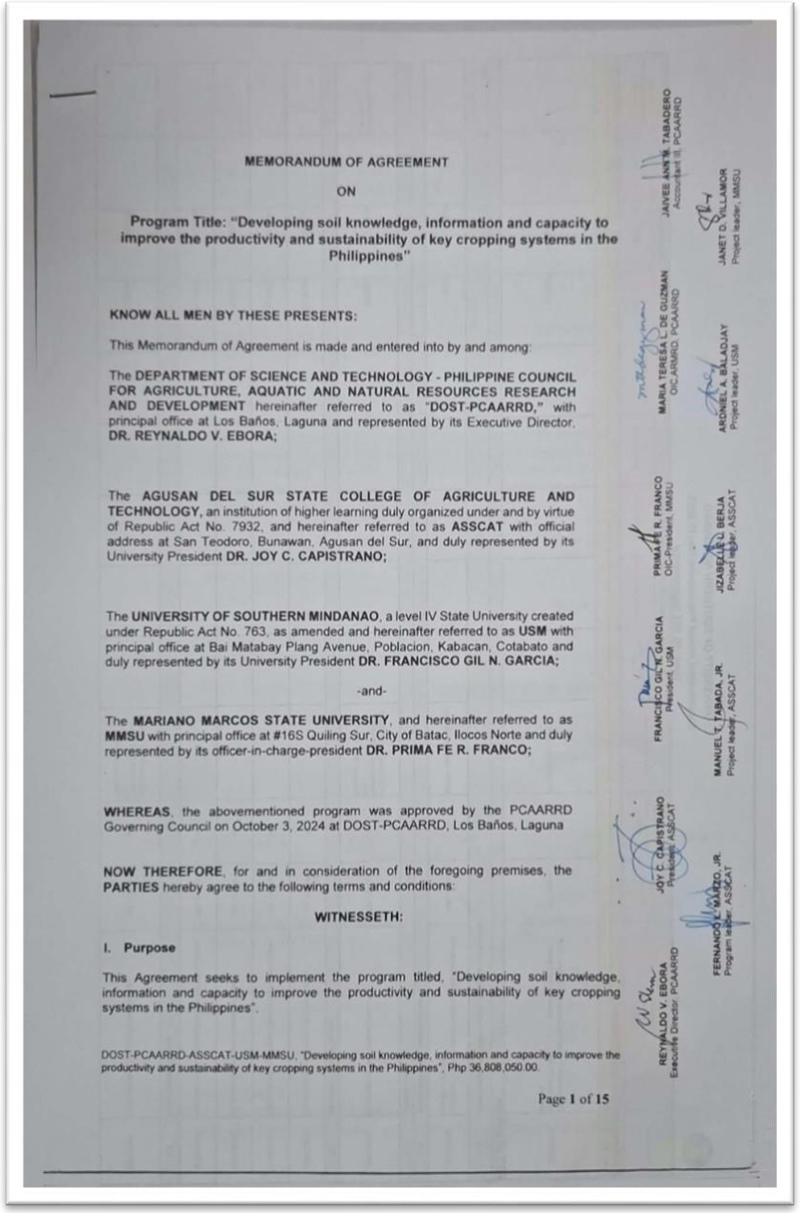
I. Scope of Work and Deliverables.

USM through its Satellite SERDAC shall implement the full scope of work as outlined in the Terms of Reference (TOR) attached as Annex A of this agreement, including:

1.1. Benchmarking analysis of national and international models
1.2. SOCCSKSARGEN regional assessment
1.3. Strategic roadmap development
1.4. Stakeholder consultations and validation
1.5. Final report preparation and discussion note for dissemination

The project shall be completed within nine (9) months from the issuance of the Notice to Proceed (NTP).

II. Project Cost and Payment Terms. The total contract cost for the project is Three Million



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

ON

Program Title: "Developing soil knowledge, information and capacity to improve the productivity and sustainability of key cropping systems in the Philippines"

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement is made and entered into by and among:

The **DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURE, AQUATIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT** hereinafter referred to as "**DOST-PCAARRD,**" with principal office at Los Baños, Laguna and represented by its Executive Director, **DR. REYNALDO V. EBORA;**

The **AGUSAN DEL SUR STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY,** an institution of higher learning duly organized under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 7932, and hereinafter referred to as **ASSCAT** with official address at San Teodoro, Bunawan, Agusan del Sur, and duly represented by its University President **DR. JOY C. CAPISTRANO;**

The **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO**, a level IV State University created under Republic Act No. 763, as amended and hereinafter referred to as **USM** with principal office at Bai Matabay Plang Avenue, Poblacion, Kabacan, Cotabato and duly represented by its University President **DR. FRANCISCO GIL N. GARCIA;**

-and-

The **MARIANO MARCOS STATE UNIVERSITY**, and hereinafter referred to as **MMSU** with principal office at #16S Quiling Sur, City of Batac, Ilocos Norte and duly represented by its officer-in-charge-president **DR. PRIMA FE R. FRANCO;**

WHEREAS, the abovementioned program was approved by the PCAARRD Governing Council on October 3, 2024 at DOST-PCAARRD, Los Baños, Laguna

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the **PARTIES** hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

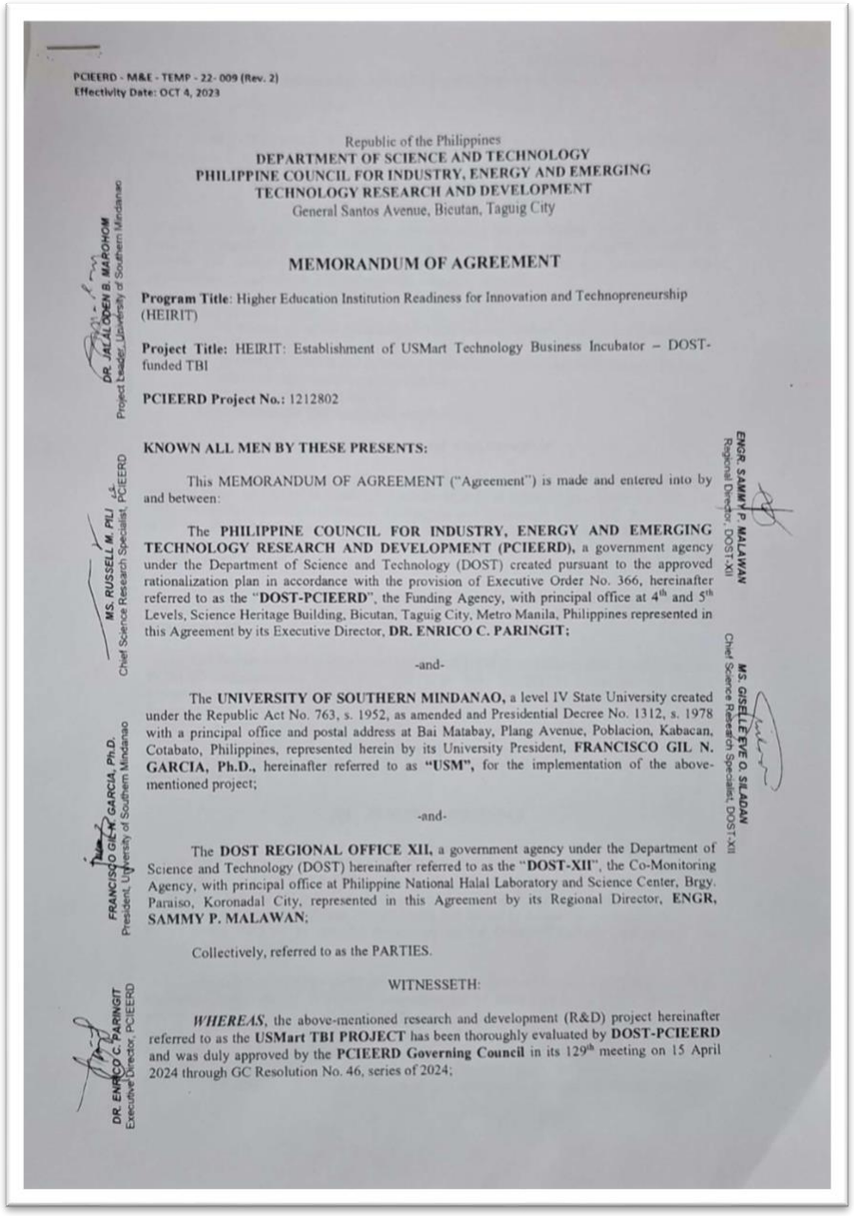
WITNESSETH:

I. Purpose

This Agreement seeks to implement the program titled, "Developing soil knowledge, information and capacity to improve the productivity and sustainability of key cropping systems in the Philippines".

DOST-PCAARRD-ASSCAT-USM-MMSU, "Developing soil knowledge, information and capacity to improve the productivity and sustainability of key cropping systems in the Philippines", Php 36,808,050.00.

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Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR INDUSTRY, ENERGY AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
General Santos Avenue, Bicutan, Taguig City

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Program Title: Higher Education Institution Readiness for Innovation and Technopreneurship (HEIRIT)

Project Title: HEIRIT: Establishment of USMart Technology Business Incubator – DOST-funded TBI

PCIEERD Project No.: 1212802

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between:

The **PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR INDUSTRY, ENERGY AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (PCIEERD),** a government agency under the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) created pursuant to the approved rationalization plan in accordance with the provision of Executive Order No. 366, hereinafter referred to as the "**DOST-PCIEERD**", the Funding Agency, with principal office at 4th and 5th Levels, Science Heritage Building, Bicutan, Taguig City, Metro Manila, Philippines represented in this Agreement by its Executive Director, **DR. ENRICO C. PARINGIT;**

-and-

The **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO,** a level IV State University created under the Republic Act No. 763, s. 1952, as amended and Presidential Decree No. 1312, s. 1978 with a principal office and postal address at Bai Matabay, Plang Avenue, Poblacion, Kabacan, Cotabato, Philippines, represented herein by its University President, **FRANCISCO GIL N. GARCIA, Ph.D.,** hereinafter referred to as **"USM",** for the implementation of the above-mentioned project;

-and-

The **DOST REGIONAL OFFICE XII,** a government agency under the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) hereinafter referred to as the "**DOST-XII**", the Co-Monitoring Agency, with principal office at Philippine National Halal Laboratory and Science Center, Brgy. Paraiso, Koronadal City, represented in this Agreement by its Regional Director, **ENGR. SAMMY P. MALAWAN;**

Collectively, referred to as the PARTIES.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned research and development (R&D) project hereinafter referred to as the **USMart TBI PROJECT** has been thoroughly evaluated by **DOST-PCIEERD** and was duly approved by the **PCIEERD Governing Council** in its 129th meeting on 15 April 2024 through GC Resolution No. 46, series of 2024;

DR. JACLODEN B. MAROHOM
Project Leader, University of Southern Mindanao

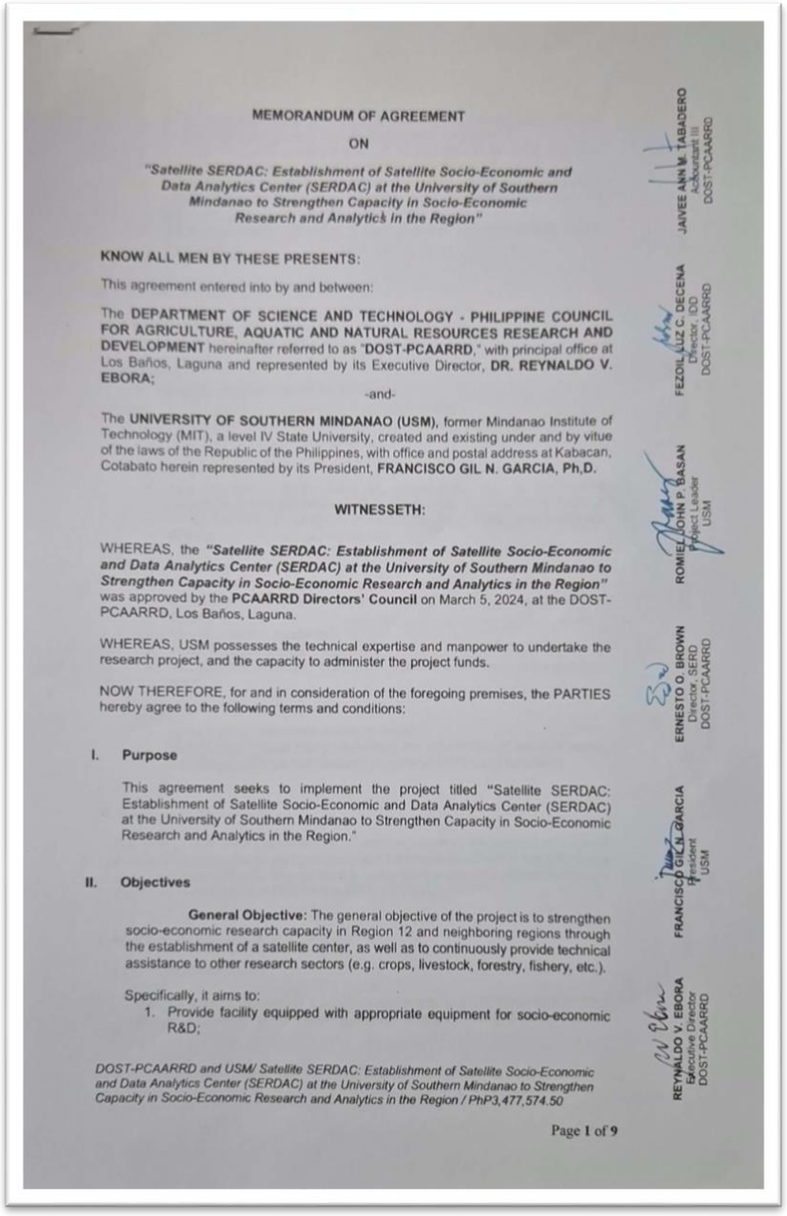
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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

ON

"Satellite SERDAC: Establishment of Satellite Socio-Economic and Data Analytics Center (SERDAC) at the University of Southern Mindanao to Strengthen Capacity in Socio-Economic Research and Analytics in the Region"

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This agreement entered into by and between:

The **DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURE, AQUATIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT** hereinafter referred to as "**DOST-PCAARRD**," with principal office at Los Baños, Laguna and represented by its Executive Director, **DR. REYNALDO V. EBORA;**

-and-

The **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO (USM)**, former Mindanao Institute of Technology (MIT), a level IV State University, created and existing under and by vitue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office and postal address at Kabacan, Cotabato herein represented by its President, **FRANCISCO GIL N. GARCIA, Ph.D.**

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the ***"Satellite SERDAC: Establishment of Satellite Socio-Economic and Data Analytics Center (SERDAC) at the University of Southern Mindanao to Strengthen Capacity in Socio-Economic Research and Analytics in the Region"*** was approved by the **PCAARRD Directors' Council** on March 5, 2024, at the DOST-PCAARRD, Los Baños, Laguna.

WHEREAS, USM possesses the technical expertise and manpower to undertake the research project, and the capacity to administer the project funds.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the PARTIES hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

I. Purpose

This agreement seeks to implement the project titled "Satellite SERDAC: Establishment of Satellite Socio-Economic and Data Analytics Center (SERDAC) at the University of Southern Mindanao to Strengthen Capacity in Socio-Economic Research and Analytics in the Region."

II. Objectives

General Objective: The general objective of the project is to strengthen socio-economic research capacity in Region 12 and neighboring regions through the establishment of a satellite center, as well as to continuously provide technical assistance to other research sectors (e.g. crops, livestock, forestry, fishery, etc.).

Specifically, it aims to:

1. Provide facility equipped with appropriate equipment for socio-economic R&D;

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