

CONTRACT OF CONSULTANCY**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:**

This contract made and entered into by and between the:

PHILIPPINE RICE RESEARCH INSTITUTE, a chartered government corporate entity under the Department of Agriculture (DA), with office address at Maligaya, Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija, herein represented by **JOHN C. DE LEON**, Executive Director, hereinafter referred to as "**PhilRice**";

-and-

SANTIAGO R. OBIEN, of legal age, Filipino, and with residence address at 9 Camaro Street, Fairview Park, Quezon City, hereinafter referred to as "**Partnership and Research Management Expert**";

-WITNESSETH-

Whereas, **PhilRice** needs the services of an expert on partnership and research management that cannot be provided by the regular personnel of **PhilRice**;

Whereas, the **Partnership and Research Management Expert (hereinafter referred to as Expert)** possesses the requisite education, experience, training, and skills, and is ready, willing, and able to efficiently provide the services as prescribed, and attests that he is not related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to the Executive Director of **PhilRice**, the signatories to this contract, the requisitioner, or the immediate supervisor; and has not been previously dismissed from the government service;

Now, therefore, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, **PhilRice** and the **Expert** agree to the following terms and conditions of the contract:

1. The **Expert** shall render the following services for the period **July 01 – December 31, 2020**:

- Assist PhilRice in developing and implementing a Rice Seed Industry Development Program in accordance with the Rice Tariffication Act;
- Help strengthen PhilRice's RDE partnerships with DA – RFOs, bureaus and attached agencies, LGUs, private and civil society organizations, and related national and international agencies especially under the Rice Tariffication Act;
- Assist PhilRice in liaising with SUCs in pursuing complementary roles in reinvigorating the rice seed industry through Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund;
- Provide technical advice in further developing and enhancing the new R4D programs of PhilRice and help oversee how these are and implemented by the Branch Stations;
- Regularly meet with PhilRice CES and Branch Station management to help troubleshoot R4D management and operations;
- Provide guidance and advise in the evaluation of new R4D programs/projects to ensure its alignment with the new PhilRice strategic plan 2018-2022;
- Assist PhilRice in implementing special projects assigned by the Secretary of Agriculture; and
- Assist in pursuing R4D-related capacity building and human resource development programs at CES and Branch Stations.

Santiago R. Obien

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2. The **Expert** shall comply with the PhilRice Intellectual Property Policy and its implementing guidelines, and specifically, to: Disclose promptly to PhilRice any intellectual property or any information thereto which he may solely or jointly with other discover, generate or create in the performance of this contract, or with use of PhilRice funds, facilities, or services: to do all things necessary to assist PhilRice in protecting and commercializing the intellectual property: use any proprietary information on any intellectual property of PhilRice only in the performance of this contract and employ all reasonable precautions to assure that they are not disclosed to unauthorized persons or used in an unauthorized manner, both during this contract or affiliation: and for a period of five (5) years after this contract.
3. In consideration of services actually rendered by the **Expert** as certified by the Executive Director, in accordance with the time and schedule to be imposed, **PhilRice** shall pay the **Expert** the amount of **TWENTY THOUSAND PESOS (P20,000.00)** per month, payable by check and to be collected from the PhilRice Cashier once a month.
4. The **Expert** shall be entitled to per diem whenever required to travel, subject to existing rules and regulations. The **Expert** shall also be entitled to support for the conduct of approved research work.
5. This contract does not create an employer-employee relationship between **PhilRice** and the **Expert**; the services rendered not considered as Government service; and that the **Expert** is not entitled to benefits enjoyed by the regular personnel of **PhilRice**. **PhilRice**, however, is not precluded from granting incentives due to excellent organizational performance from time to time, provided, the grant of such incentives shall not be construed as to have established an employer-employee relationship between **PhilRice** and the **Expert**; subject to availability of funds, and the existing auditing rules and regulations.

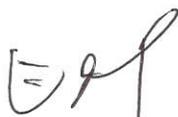
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, both parties have hereunto set their hands this ____ day of _____ at Maligaya, Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija.



JOHN C. DE LEON
PhilRice



SANTIAGO R. OBIEN
Partnership and Research
Management



EDUARDO JIMMY P. QUILANG
Witness

Signed in the presence of:



JOSELITO A. KALAW
Witness

Certified Funds Available



MARY GRACE B. CORPUZ
Head, Finance Division

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Republic of the Philippines)
Province of Nueva Ecija) S.S.
Science City of Muñoz)

BEFORE ME, this _____th day of AUG 18 2020 personally appeared **JOHN C. DE LEON** and **SANTIAGO R. OBIEN** with their valid IDs appearing below their respective names, personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument consisting of three (3) pages duly signed by them and their instrumental witnesses on each and every page, and who acknowledged the same to be their own free voluntary act and deed.


RODOLFO T. TOBIAS
Notary Public
Until December 31, 2020
PTR No. 1002851 ; 01-02-2000
Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija
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