



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 04
Series of 2014

**AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 024,
SERIES OF 2011.**

WHEREAS, among the priority programs of this administration is focused on the promotion and development of organic agriculture in the municipality which aims to ensure food security, address concerns on health and wellness, provide livelihood and employment and alleviate poverty while protecting the environment and contributing to international efforts to address issues and concerns on environmental protection, global warming and climate change adaptation;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 14 of R.A. 10068 or the Organic Act of 2010, the Municipal Technical Committee on Organic Agriculture (MTCOA) was created by virtue of Executive Order No. 024, series of 2011;

WHEREAS, being a statute of general or permanent character, it is necessary to amend certain provisions of Executive Order 024, series of 2011 more particularly section 1 thereof to avoid inconsistencies and adverse effects brought about by future changes in local administration due to elections, termination, resignation and/or transfer of assignments of some members;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, **ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN**, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Itogon, Benguet Province, hereby amend Executive Order No. 024, series of 2011 as follows:

Section 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 024, series of 2011 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. Composition. The Municipal Technical Committee on Organic Agriculture shall have the following composition, to wit;

Chairman-	Municipal Mayor
Vice Chairman-	Municipal Agriculturist
Members:	DILG-MLGOO
	Chairman, SB Committee on Agriculture
	Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator
	Municipal Budget Officer
	Municipal Treasurer
	Municipal Accountant
	DA-FRU Representative
	BSU Representative
	3 Representative(s) from local organic farmers organizations
	District Supervisors (Elem. And High School)
	President, Liga ng mga Barangay
	The Focal Person on Organic Agriculture

There is also hereby created a secretariat with at least three (3) members to be selected by the Local Chief Executive from among the members of associations of organic farmers within the municipality. Said secretariat shall provide support services to the MTCOA and shall perform the following duties and functions:

1. Prepare notice of meetings of the MTCOA and shall be responsible in distributing these to the committee members;
2. Record all minutes of proceedings and document all activities of the committee;
3. Arrange the time and venue of all activities of the MTCOA;
4. Shall be responsible in keeping all records and/or files of the committee and make these always available to all members as may be required;
5. Perform other related duties and functions as may be required in the proper discharge of the duties and functions of the MTCOA.


Section 2. The duties and functions of the Municipal Technical Committee on Organic Agriculture as provided in section 2 of Executive Order No. 024, series of 2011 shall continue to be in force and effect. Provided however that in addition thereto, the following provisions shall form part of the duties and functions already provided under said Executive Order, to wit;

1. In accordance with Rule 5.1 of the IRR of R.A. 10068, the MTCOA shall prepare the annual and long term Municipal Organic Agriculture Plan consistent with the principles of grass roots participatory planning and bottom-up approach. Copies of such plan shall be furnished the Sanguniang Bayan for legislative adoption, the MDC for inclusion in the Municipal Development Plan and Annual Investment Plan as the case may be, the National Organic Agriculture Board through the BAFPS for consolidation and integration in the National Organic Agriculture Plan.
2. The MTCOA shall recommend proposed policies and measures as it may deem necessary and appropriate to the Sanguniang Bayan for the latter's legislative action for purposes of attaining the goals and objectives of R.A. 10068 and for the successful implementation of the Organic Agriculture Program in the municipality.
3. The MTCOA shall facilitate and make follow ups for the release of funds from participating government offices and agencies appropriated for purposes of implementing the National Organic Agriculture Plan in the local level. Likewise, it shall solicit funds and other assistance from outside sources to augment whatever available funds provided by the municipal government.

Section 3. All Executive Orders and Issuances inconsistent herewith or parts hereof are deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Section 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 12th day of August, 2014 at Itogon, Benguet.


ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN
Municipal Mayor

Copy furnished:

-Hon. Nestor B. Fongwan
Provincial Governor

-All concerned

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