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At a Glance

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Agrarian Reform Accomplishment

Ø Since the start of the implementation of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) in 1988, 6.6 million hectares have been distributed. This is 81 percent of the land distribution target of 8.2 million hectares as of December 2005.

Ø The Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR)

distributed 84 percent of the total 4.4 million hectares assigned to them for distribution, while the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) distributed 78 percent of its target land distribution. (Note: Only DAR distributes private lands, which forms one-third of the total hectareage included in CARP. The remaining two-thirds is non-private agricultural land distributed by DENR and DAR.)

Table 1. CARP Land Distribution Accomplishment, by Agency
(as of December 2005, Area in hectares)

	Scope	Accomplishment	% Accomplishment
TOTAL CARP	8,199,768	6,638,104	81
DAR	4,428,357	3,701,037	84
DENR	3,771,411	2,937,067	78
TOTAL DAR	4,428,357	3,701,037	84
Private	3,093,251	2,065,273	67
Public	1,335,106	1,635,764	123
TOTAL DENR	3,771,411	2,937,067	78
Public	3,771,411	2,937,067	78

Source: Department of Agrarian Reform - Planning Service

Table 2. Cumulative Land Distribution Accomplishment, by Region
(as of December 2005)

Region	Scope	Total Accomplishment (Cumulative)	% Accomplishment
PHILIPPINES (Inc ARMM)	4,428,357	3,701,037	84
CAR	77,856	84,471	108
I	140,340	124,588	89
II	300,055	317,851	106
III	405,290	381,654	94
IV-A: CALABARZON	204,818	142,552	70
IV-B MIMAROPA	170,817	146,078	86
V	453,769	244,826	54
VI	559,688	329,183	59
VII	166,802	124,420	75
VIII	385,505	357,404	93
IX	158,469	185,657	117
X	269,799	260,486	97
XI	202,279	200,473	99
XII	431,035	422,558	98
XIII	200,262	193,693	97
ARMM	301,573	185,143	61

Source: Department of Agrarian Reform - Planning Service

Ø More than two million hectares (2.2 million hectares) or fifty percent of land area to be distributed by DAR are located in Regions 6, 5, 12, 3, and 8. These regions, as well, contributed half of DAR's total accomplishment.

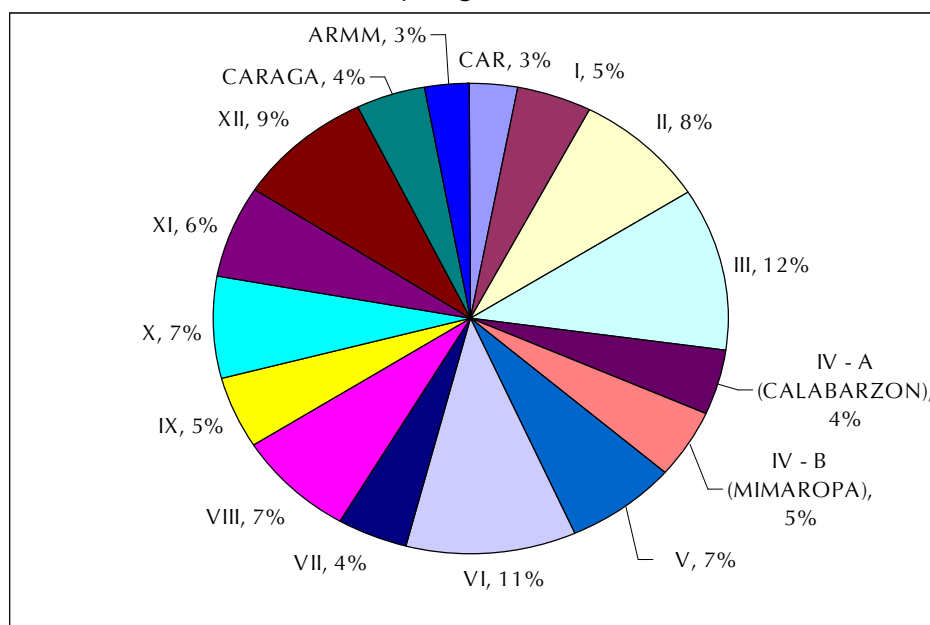
Ø The highest rate of accomplishment is in Region 9 which achieved 117 percent. This is due to the ongoing scope adjustment conducted by DAR.

Farmer Beneficiaries

ØAs of December 2005, seventeen years after the implementation of the CARP, the total number of farmer beneficiaries (FBs) only reached 2.1 million out of the estimated 5.7 million FBs of both DAR and DENR.

ØThe number of farmer beneficiaries by region correlates with the cumulative regional land distribution accomplishment. Regions 3 and 6 have the highest number of farmer beneficiaries.

Figure 1. Cumulative Accomplishment, Number of Farmer Beneficiaries by Region, December 2005



Source: Department of Agrarian Reform - Planning Service

Table 3. Comparison of Annual Poverty Threshold and Average ARB Household Income (in PhP), by Region*

Region	Annual Poverty Threshold	Average Annual ARB Household Income	Farm Income
Philippines	62,155	92,039	52,945.69
CAR	74,550	81,601	54,036.28
Region 1	69,935	118,365	66,922.79
Region 2	57,830	91,456	47,035.50
Region 3	69,440	102,165	55,461.43
Region 4-A	74,775	126,113	60,697.13
Region 4-B	63,970	79,789	40,593.68
Region 5	63,305	89,995	50,299.76
Region 6	65,275	73,162	42,153.68
Region 7	52,200	77,210	45,369.24
Region 8	66,855	80,779	53,146.77
Region 9	54,980	83,595	49,616.15
Region 10	59,005	95,641	64,510.93
Region 11	59,815	92,243	52,338.87
Region 12	57,560	100,845	65,331.50
Region 13	62,905	79,465	46,378.19

Sources: NSCB, CY 2004 Report and DAR, ALDA, CY 2005 Report
* Excluding ARMM

Effect of Agrarian Reform to Poverty Incidence

ØAverage annual household incomes of agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) are above the annual poverty threshold by region. Regions 4-A, 1, and 12 are the top three regions whose average annual ARB household incomes are way above the region's specific poverty regions' threshold.

ØMore than half of their total income comes from farming activities.