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**MUNICIPALITY OF BAYAMBANG**  
**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**



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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 16,**  
**SERIES OF 2021**

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**AN ORDINANCE PROMOTING AND DEVELOPING ORGANIC AGRICULTURE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAYAMBANG, PANGASINAN"**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 10068 otherwise known as an Act Providing for the Development and Promotion of Organic Agriculture in the Philippines and for other purposes was enacted into law by both the Senate and the House of Representatives on February 01, 2010;

**WHEREAS**, Memorandum Circular No. 02 dated January 2013 jointly issued by the Department of the Interior and Local Government and the Department of Agriculture has enjoined all Local Government Units (LGUs) to implement RA 10068 in their respective jurisdiction. It also provides roles and responsibilities of the LGUs in the implementation of the National Agriculture Program under the said Act;

**WHEREAS**, shifting back to traditional ways of producing Agricultural crops would result in the production of healthy food on the table for our constituents;

**WHEREAS**, organic farming would be a great help in the preservation and protection of the state of our Environment especially in Agricultural areas in the Country;

**WHEREAS**, the unabated use of chemicals in the production of Agricultural crops has significantly contributed in the worsening effects of climate change and global warming in various parts of the global village, thus, this now serves as a wake-up call for those in Agriculture Sector to shift to the traditional ways of raising crops;

**WHEREAS**, preserving and protecting the Environment should be the utmost concern of farmers and going back to organic farming is a step towards contributing to the efforts on how to negate the effects of climate change;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of **SB Member Philip R. Dumalanta**, duly seconded;

***BE IT ENACTED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN IN SESSION ASSEMBLED THAT;***

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.** This ordinance shall be known as **"Organic Agriculture Ordinance of the Municipality of Bayambang, Pangasinan"**.

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** The Municipal Government of Bayambang, Pangasinan adheres to the policy of the State to promote, propagate, develop further and implement the practice of Organic Agriculture in the Philippines that will cumulatively condition and enrich the fertility of the soil increase farm productivity, reduce pollution and destruction of environment, prevent the depletion of natural resources and further protect the health of our farmers, consumers and general public. The Municipal Government will mainstream organic agricultural practice in the barangays.

**SECTION 3. PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to institutionalize Republic Act 10068 in the Municipality of Bayambang, Pangasinan. It would ensure the productions of healthy foods derive from vegetables and fruits produced by our farmers and mitigate the harmful effects of the use of chemical farm inputs thus, protecting our environment.

[Signatures of officials]



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**SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** For purposes of this ordinance the following terms shall be defined as follows:

- a) **Organic Agriculture** - includes all Agricultural systems that promote the ecologically sound, socially acceptable, economically viable and technically feasible production of food and Fishery (Section 3(b) of Republic Act. 10068)
- b) **National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB)** – the policy-making body under the National Organic Agriculture Program attach to the Department of Agriculture which shall provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the National Organic Agriculture Program.
- c) **Organic Agriculture Zones** – protected areas identified by the Municipal Agriculture Board where organic farming is implemented.

**SECTION 5. MUNICIPAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE.** To carry out such declared policy and for an effective implementation of this ordinance, there shall be created a Municipal Technical Committee which shall be composed of the following:

- Chairperson - Municipal Agriculture Officer
- Co-Chairperson - SBM, Committee Chair on Agriculture
- Vice Chairperson - MLGOO
- Members - ESWMO  
 President, Federation of Brgy. Farmers Association  
 DepEd District Supervisor – Bayambang District I  
 DepEd District Supervisor – Bayambang District II  
 Municipal Health Officer  
 2 NGO Representatives (Agriculture related)  
 President, Municipal Association of NGO's  
 Chairman, Municipal Agriculture and Fishery Council

**SECTION 6. IMPLEMENTING DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** The Municipal Organic Agriculture Technical Committee shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1.) Formulate policies, plans, programs, and projects to develop and promote organic agriculture, production, processing and trade;
- 2.) Oversee the successful implementation of the National Organic Agricultural Program;
- 3.) Identify sources of financing to expand organic agriculture;
- 4.) Monitor and evaluate the performance of programs for appropriate incentives;
- 5.) Establish a strategic venue for education, information and communication for a sustainable healthy lifestyle;
- 6.) Design as a showcase for organic products and farm technologies;
- 7.) Develop holistic and sustainable technology training programs;
- 8.) Formulate farm-based farmer coordinated applied research program; and
- 9.) Promote environmental economic values in enterprise development;

**SECTION 7. ORGANIC AGRICULTURE ZONES** – For the effective implementation of this ordinance, there are hereby identified agriculture zones that will be protected from encroachment and contamination using chemical based farm inputs including contamination of genetically engineered crops and other similar activities.





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**SECTION 8. ORGANIC AGRICULTURE TRAINING CENTERS.** The Municipal Government of Bayambang, Pangasinan through the Municipal Agriculturist's Office shall establish, recognize and support Organic Centers including those initiated by the Private Sector that will promote market and develop Organic Agriculture. The training center of the Municipality shall be the venue for the transfer of Agricultural Technology like trainings on pocket of Technology on Organic Agriculture and Agri-business.

**SECTION 9. ESTABLISHMENT OF ORGANIC KONEK, ALSO KNOWN AS ORGANIC AGRICULTURE HUB, SHALL SERVE AS A ONE-STOP SHOP IN THE MUNICIPALITY.** It shall serve as a business integrity of organic farms, that is, producing and marketing of the products of organic farms, finally, organic konek may also function as an avenue for the implementation of (PGS) Participatory Guarantee System.

**SECTION 10. ORGANIC GENE/SEED BANK.** The Municipal Government of Bayambang, Pangasinan through the Municipal Agriculturist's Office in coordination with Non-Government Organizations shall establish an Organic Gene/Seed Bank which will produce and supply organic seeds to farmers.

**SECTION 11. SUPPORT SERVICES TO ORGANIC FARMERS.** The Municipal Government of Bayambang, Pangasinan shall ensure support to organic farmers who wish to engage in organic agriculture such as training, production, marketing and branding to develop an agriculture product that will ensure a market niche, including the practice of fair trade.

**SECTION 12. ESTABLISHMENT OF TRADING POSTS FOR ORGANIC PRODUCTS AND INPUTS.** There shall be established dedicated stalls in the Municipality of Bayambang Public Market and Special Market Day for Organic Products. If possible, a trading post for organic inputs for sale comply with the standard specifications established by the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB) through the Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Product Standards of the Department of Agriculture.

**SECTION 13. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any part of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional, the remaining parts thereby shall continue to remain valid and in effect.

**SECTION 14. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 15. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and compliance with the publication requirements.

**ENACTED** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021.

*Certified to be duly adopted and approved:*

**JOEL V. CAMACHO**  
 Secretary to the Sanggunian

**ATTESTED:**

**HON. RAUL R. SABANGAN**  
 Municipal Vice-Mayor &  
 SB Presiding Officer



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**WE CONCUR:  
 SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS**

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APPROVED:

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