WOMEN AS LAND RIGHTS DEFENDERS
THE EXPERIENCE OF PAKISAMA

26 September 2021
OUTLINE

1. Work and advocacies of PAKISAMA
2. LAKAMBINI: The women arm of PAKISAMA
3. Presentation of video message (Conchita Calzado)
PAKISAMA is a 34 year-old national movement and confederation of small farmer, fisher, indigenous people, rural women and youth organizations dedicated to building empowered, prosperous, and caring family farmers and resilient rural communities by ensuring their asset ownership and control, productivity and resiliency, product values addition and enhanced market power and meaningful participation in policy spaces and in public programs.
PROGRAMS

POLICY ADVOCACY
Aims to create an enabling environment for our family farmers and their organizations to thrive and prosper. This includes lobbying for the passage of favorable laws in Congress, policy research, construction engagement, paralegal services, mobilizations/direct actions, representation in policy making bodies.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (MDS)
MDS includes services such as trainings/mentoring in Organic Agriculture, Business Development Services, (BDS), and Supply and Marketing Services (SMS) of our farmers’ products.
- RSAAD
- BDS
- MDS
We also have organized formations of women farmers (LAKAMBINI), young farmers (PAMANAKA), indigenous peoples (KAKAPI) and fisherfolks (PAMANGKA).
Land to the tillers, water to the fishers and ancestral domains to the indigenous peoples
LAKAMBINI: Pilipinas Rural Women Association Inc.
WOMEN'S ARM OF
PAKISAMA

a national organization of small scale women farmers organized by PAKISAMA

Vision
Empowered, prosperous, and caring women in resilient rural communities

Mission
We are a national women organization aligned with the PAKISAMA committed to the empowerment and development of women family farmers, fishers, and indigenous people of the Philippines

Goals
To empower women farmers, fishers and indigenous people to achieve:
- Organizational strength and capability
- Financial literacy and sufficiency among women members
- Sustainable women-focused rural enterprises managed and owned by women
- Promotion and protection of women and their children's rights
- Inclusion in governance and political spaces
- Asset ownership and control
K-GAT
(Kababaihang Dumagat ng Sierra Made)

Organization of Dumagat indigenous women located in five CADT areas focuses on strengthening their agri-forestry cooperative and advocacy efforts to protect their ancestral land and water against the construction of Kaliwa Dam Project that will displace and submerge their communities.
FOREFRONT OF THE LAND RIGHTS CAMPAIGNS OF PAKISAMA

- Agrarian reform
- Policy precedent cases against land-grabbing (Kaliwa Dam, APECO, Semirara, Bugsuk)
- Utilization of coco levy assets
- Gender mainstreaming
Continued organizing of women and assisting in establishing support groups
- Organizational development

Ensuring their participation and active involvement in farmers organization

Providing sustained capacity building to strengthen their leadership capacities
- Confidence building and personal development (models of empowerment)
- Trainings on advocacy, constructive engagement, facilitation, documentation, negotiation

Strengthening their capacities in agricultural production
- Access and control to land and other resources, agricultural technologies, access to credit, market and information

Learning sessions for their awareness on the laws protecting women, gender dynamics/advocacies and agri-related policies
- Magna Carta of Women

Networking and Partnerships
- Platforms for knowledge and experience sharing
- Linking with potential partners for resource mobilization/collaboration (development partners)
INCLUSION IN PAKISAMA GOVERNANCE AND SECRETARIAT

- Ensure equal representation in policy and decision making body
  - National Council
  - Executive Committee
- Ensure representation in all PAKISAMA endeavors/campaigns (advocacy/socio-economic)
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- Mentoring sessions for second liners in land rights campaigns
Jai Jagat: on the move for peace and justice (2019, India)
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Long live the rural women!

Women make change

No farmer, no food, no future

Our right to land is our right to food