

INITIAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LENDING CONDUITS

1. Letter of Application with notarized Board Resolution authorizing the cooperative/ association/NGO to apply as lending conduit and designating its authorized signatories to enter into an agreement with ACPC and Organizational Profile.
2. Endorsement from Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office (DA-RFO).
3. Certificate of Registration from the:
 - Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC);
 - Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) with Certificate of Compliance; or
 - Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), as the case may be.
4. If rural/cooperative banks, with CAMELS Rating of 3 or higher.

WHAT IS PLEA?

The Production Loan Easy Access (PLEA) is a loan facility designed to address the financial needs of the marginal and small farmers and fisherfolk by providing them easy to access loans.

The PLEA is being implemented by the AGRICULTURAL CREDIT POLICY COUNCIL (ACPC), an attached agency of the Department of Agriculture (DA).

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WHAT ARE THE FEATURES OF PLEA?



Non-collateralized loans for agri-fishery production.



Aims to finance production of crops, poultry, livestock and fisheries projects of marginal and small farmers and fisherfolk.



Eligible borrowers are marginal and small farmers and fisherfolk.



Maximum loan of up to Php50,000 for short term crops/commodities and up to Php150,000 for high value crops and long gestating crops.



Interest rate is 6% per annum or 0.5% per month. The interest is not deducted in advance from the loan.



Loan maturity depends on the crop/commodity.



Loan repayment schedule is based on cash flow.



Borrowers can re-avail loans without the need for new credit/background investigation.



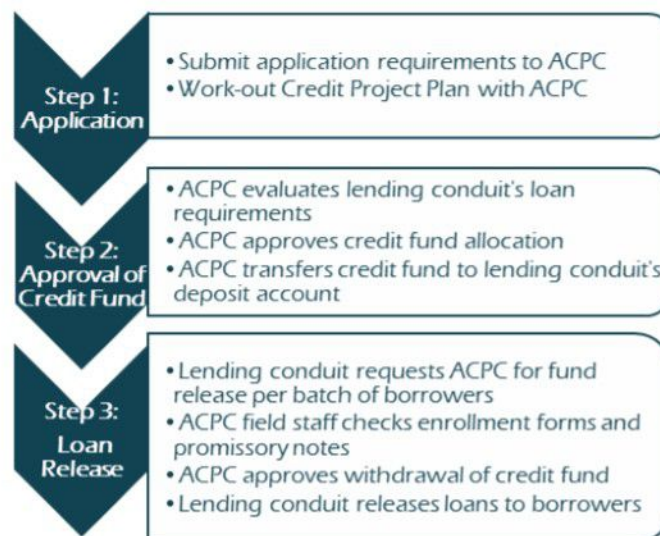
Free insurance by the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation (PCIC) covering the insurable agri-fishery crops/commodities.

HOW IT WORKS?

The ACPC taps lending conduits in extending the loans to marginal and small farmers and fisherfolk. The lending conduits must have a lending system in place. These lending conduits select, evaluate, approve and collect loans from borrowers under agreed guidelines with the ACPC.

TYPE 1: Those with credit track record with Landbank and other government financial institutions (GFIs).

TYPE 2: Those without credit track record with GFIs but are operating and with marginal and small farmers and fisherfolk members.



WHO CAN AVAIL?

• MUST BE MARGINAL/SMALL FARMERS AND FISHERFOLK

Small Farmer—own, amortize not more than 3 hectares, tenants, leaseholders, stewards or engaged in backyard poultry and livestock raising (*Presidential AO 21-2011, IRR of RA 8425*)

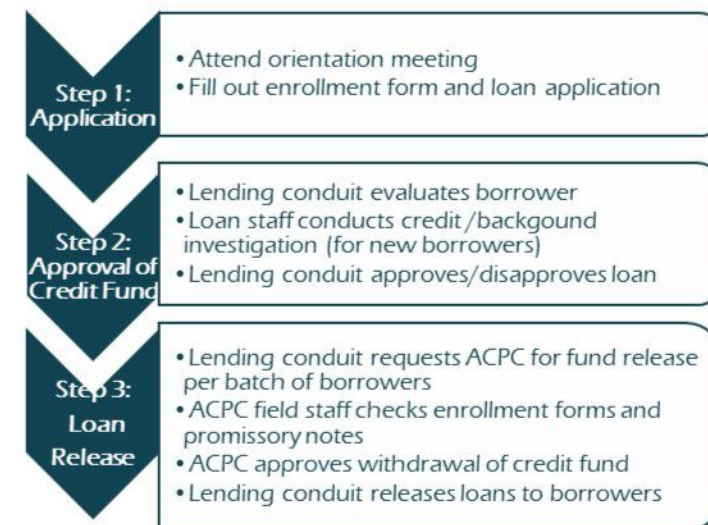
Farmworker—refers to a person who renders service for value as employee or laborer in an agriculture enterprise or farm regardless whether his compensation is paid on a daily, weekly, monthly or "pakyaw" basis and includes regular or seasonal farm workers (*Section 3, IRR of RA 6657, CARL 1998*)

Fisherfolk—directly or indirectly engaged in fishing, taking, culturing or processing fishery/aquatic resources (*Presidential AO 21-2011, IRR of RA 8425*)

• MUST BE OF GOOD CHARACTER

- If new borrower, must pass the credit/background investigation of the lending conduit.
- If existing borrower, must have a good credit standing

• ONLY ONE BORROWER PER HOUSEHOLD CAN AVAIL OF A LOAN AT A TIME



Other Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be registered/enrolled in the Registry System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture (RSBSA)
- If borrowing from cooperative:
 - must be a member of the cooperative
 - must have shared capital contributions
 - must attend loan orientation/pre-membership seminar