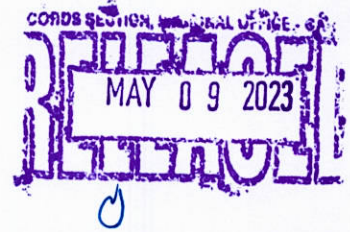




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CARAGA REGION



May 9, 2023

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0361, s. 2023

To: SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
This region

DISSEMINATION OF SHELLFISH BULLETIN NO. 12, S. 2023
SUBJECT: POSITIVE PARALYTIC SHELLFISH POISON

1. All Schools Division Offices are hereby informed that as per Shellfish Bulletin No. 12, s. 2023 issued by the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR-Caraga) dated May 5, 2023, shellfishes collected and tested from the coastal waters of Daus and Tagbilaran City, Bohol, San Pedro Bay, Samar, and Lianga Bay, Surigao del Sur are **still positive** for Paralytic Shellfish Poison (PSP) or toxic red tide that is beyond the regulatory limit.
2. All types of shellfish and Acetes sp. or alamang gathered from the areas mentioned above are **not safe** for human consumption. Fish, squids, shrimps, and crabs are safe for human consumption provided that they are fresh and washed thoroughly, and internal organs such as gills and intestines are removed before cooking.
3. SDOs are directed to monitor the schools for any report of food poisoning particularly from seafoods sold as snacks/meals in the schools and continue coordinating with the barangay for any updates related to this.
4. For immediate dissemination.

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Regional Director

Encl/s.: NONE

Reference/s: SHELLFISH BULLETIN NO. 12, S. 2023

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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DRRM MONITORING POSITIVE SHELLFISH POISON

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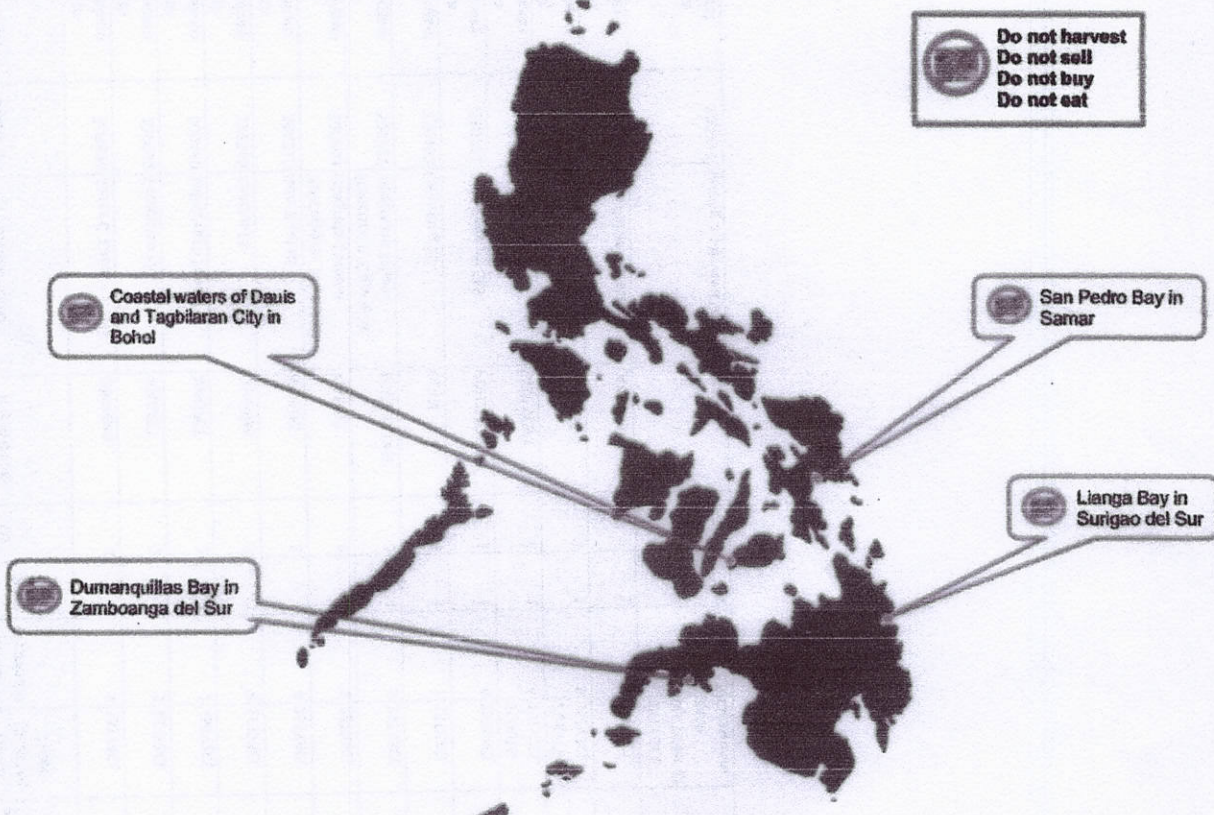
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Series of 2023

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All types of shellfish and *Acetes sp.* or alamang gathered from the areas shown above are **NOT SAFE** for human consumption. Fish, squids, shrimps, and crabs are safe for human consumption provided that they are fresh and washed thoroughly, and internal organs such as gills and intestines are removed before cooking.

The following areas continue to be **FREE from toxic red tide**: coastal waters of Cavite, Las Piñas, Parañaque, Navotas, Bulacan, and Bataan (Mariveles, Limay, Orion, Pilar, Balanga, Hermosa, Orani, Abucay, and Samal) in Manila Bay; mariculture areas in Infanta, coastal waters of Bolinao, Anda, Alaminos, Sual, and Wawa, Bani in Pangasinan; mariculture areas in Rosario, and Sto. Tomas in La Union; coastal waters of Pampanga; Masinloc Bay in Zambales; Pagbilao Bay, Pagbilao, and coastal waters of Walay, Padre Burgos in Quezon; Honda, and Puerto Princesa Bays, Puerto Princesa City, and coastal waters of Inner Malampaya Sound, Taytay in Palawan; coastal waters of Milagros and Mandaon in Masbate; Sorsogon Bay, and Juag Lagoon, Matnog in Sorsogon; coastal waters of Gigantes Islands, Carles, and Borongan, San Dionisio in Iloilo; coastal waters of Roxas City, Panay, President Roxas, and Pilar in Capiz; Sapián Bay (Ivisan and Sapián in Capiz; Mambuquiao and Camanci, Batán in Aklan); coastal waters of Altavas, Batán, and New Washington in Batán Bay, Aklan; coastal waters of E.B. Magalona, Talisay City, Silay City, Bacolod City, Hinigaran, and Victorias City in Negros Occidental; Tambobo, and Siit Bays, Siaton; and Bais Bay, Bais City in Negros Oriental; coastal waters of Daram, and Zumarraga, Cambatutay, Irong-irong, Maqueda, and Villareal Bays in Samar; coastal waters of Guiuan, and Matarinao Bay in Eastern Samar; coastal waters of Leyte, Calubian, Ormoc, Sogod, Carigara Bay, and Cancabato Bay, Tacloban City in Leyte; coastal waters of Biliran Island; Tantanang Bay in Zamboanga Sibugay; Murcielagos Bay in Zamboanga del Norte and (Sapang Dalaga, and Baliangao) in Misamis Occidental; Panguil Bay, Tangub City, and coastal waters of Ozamiz City in Misamis Occidental; coastal waters of Baroy in Lanao del Norte; Taguines Lagoon, Benoni, Mahinog in Camiguin; Balite, and Pujada Bays, Mati City in Davao Oriental; Malalag Bay in Davao Occidental and Davao del Sur; coastal waters of Nasipit in Agusan del Norte; Litalit Bay in Surigao del Norte; and coastal waters of Minatuan, Cortes, and Bislig Bay in Surigao del Sur.

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