

# Sustainable and Value Chain Finance for Smallholder Farmers

2025 MCPI Annual Conference

31 July 2025, 1:30-3:00PM





## **ECLOF Family = ECLOF International + 14 Member MFIs**



Serve the ECLOF mission and target group

Total gross loan portfolio of 45 million USD; 113,500 clients



#### **VISION**

#### **Realizing Human Dignity**

ECLOF Philippines envisions a society where human dignity is fully realized, and people are empowered and released from the bondage of poverty

#### **MISSION**

ECLOF Philippines is committed to building communities and livelihoods, which are sustainable—economically viable, socially desirable, and environmentally sound

#### **CORE VALUES**

**SERVICE with TIES** 

T - Teamwork

I - Integrity

E - Excellence

S - Stewardship



# Org Ideals and History

1972

Started as a desk operation of NCCP

1995

Registered in SEC as

2003

Started agri microfinance (North Luzon)

Ecumenical Church Foundation Inc.

2025:

2017

Adopted the name ECLOF Philippines

Microfinance Inc. – EPMI

2019

Established ECLOF Finance Corp.

(EFC)

2024

Established ECLOF Agri Center (EAC)

ECLOF@30: Towards Greater Significance and Impact

(in compliance to MF NGO law)



## **OUR KEY OBJECTIVES**



Contribute to food security



Through sustainable agri microfinance operations



- Development and implementation of products and services resulting to deeper impact;
- Client strengthening and capacity building



Supporting, partnering and strengthening the agri sector since 2003 until now has always been at the heart of the organization.





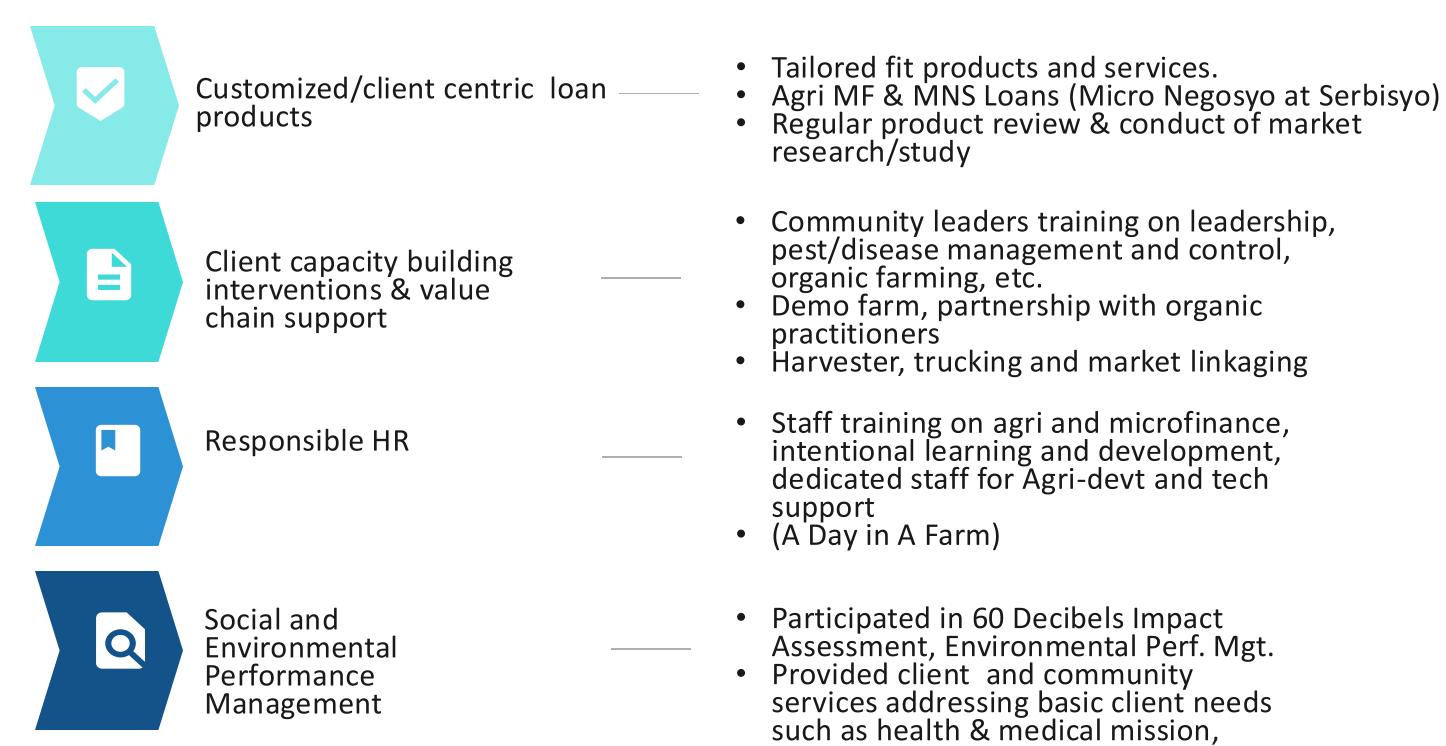
## **OUR APPROACH**

ECLOF | Philippines

SUSTAINABLE AGRI (PROGRAMS AND SERVICES)

water system (Bakun), etc.

Conducted SP Audit



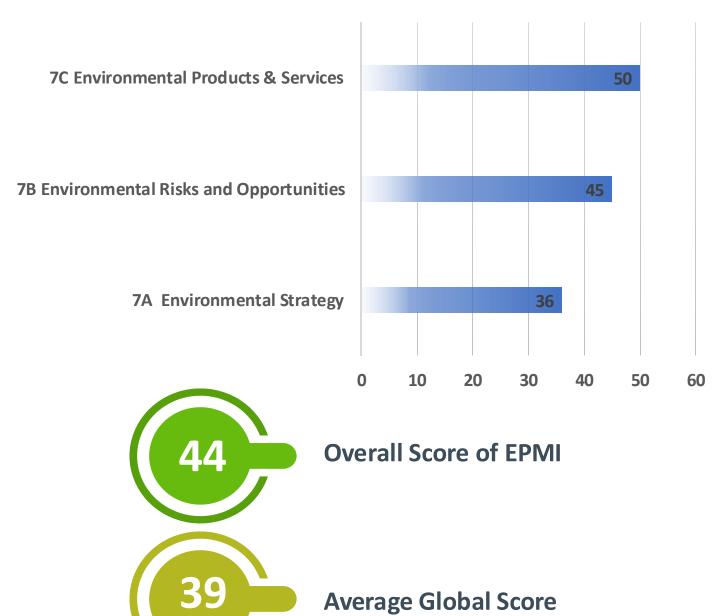




### **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT**



#### **EPM ASSESSMENT RESULTS**







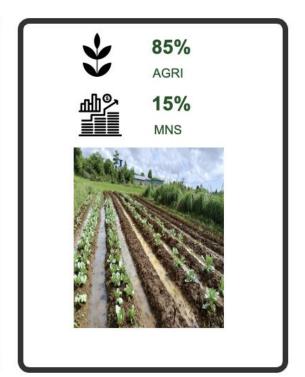
## **OUR REACH & IMPACT**











SUPPORTED BY ECLOF INTERNATIONAL

60 DECIBELS

#### Business Impact

94% say their business income increased, with 45% of clients saying it has 'very much increased'.

#### • Financial Mgt.

90% of clients 'strongly agree' that they understand ECLOF Philippines terms & conditions.

Financial stress has decreased for 92% of clients.

#### Household Impact

96% say their quality of life has improved, with 45% reporting significant improvements.

#### Resilience

94% say their ability to meet a major expense has improved because of ECLOF.

86% report an increased savings balance. 95% report no reduction in food consumption to make repayments.



## **ECLOF AGRI CENTER**



CULTIVATE. INNOVATE. ELEVATE

The ECLOF Agri Center was established as a dynamic learning hub to promote organic farming under ECLOF Philippines Microfinance, Inc. (EPMI), primarily serving Palawan Province. Acquired in 2014 as a 6.3-hectare forested area, the site has since undergone gradual development, with about two hectares now cultivated. In 2024, a five-year development plan was launched to transform the property into a full-scale agricultural hub for products and services. With this vision, it successfully registered with the SEC.











# High Value and Rice Enterprise

# Training and Capacity Building

## **Mechanization Project**





OCCP Certified Organic Producer from 2018 – 2022 Pursue PGS Accreditation (Participatory Guarantee System)





- Agricultural Training Institute –
   Learning Site of Agriculture
- Partner with USAID-Safe Water
   (2021 2023)
- Partner with Municipal Agriculture
   Office under Organic Program



Harvester (2 units)
Hatid Ani Project (Trucking)
Tractor (Aug2025)



#### **EPMI & AGRI CENTER:**



FARM PRODUCTION & DEVELOPMENT





- Training Center
- Rice farming
- Vegetable farming
- Organic concoctions
   (organic fertilizers, vermiculture)

MECHANIZATION & MARKETING SUPPORT





- Currently harvester, trucking and soon tractor services to be provided to palawan farmers
- Newly established partnership with
   Jollibee Group Foundation –
   calamansi farmers in Calapan

TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING







 Various training events conducted Good Agriculture Practices, Organic Training, etc.





### **KEY CHALLENGES:**

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# INHERENT RISKS IN AGRI SECTOR

Climate change Pricing/Market Aging farmers 2

## INSURANCE & RISK PROTECTION

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# DIGITALIZATION & TECHNOLOGY GAPS

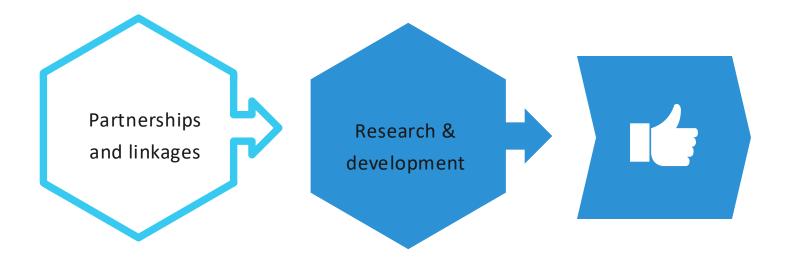
Connectivity issues,
Low digital adoptions &
infrastructure

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## FUNDING & SUSTAINABILITY

Access to funds
Capability to offer and
sustain non-financial
services

## **NEXT STEPS:**



# INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING SEPM & Non-financial services

Intensified and sustainable nonfinancial programs and services for clients





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