

Good News
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TOWARDS SAFE SEA FISHING



Last 29 October 2019, the 3rd Safe Fishing Alliance (SFA) meeting was held at the Bayview Park Hotel, Intramuros, Manila. The SFA is under the Safeguarding Against and Addressing Fishers' Exploitation at Sea (SAFE Seas) Project of the PLAN International Philippines.

The PLAN International Philippines, as the implementing organization, has its funding support from the United States Department of Labor. It works with Philippine government agencies through Inter-Agency discourse to strengthen regulations and policies to address labor exploitation, forced labor, and trafficking in persons on fishing vessels.

In support of the noble purpose of the project, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), through the Bureau of Working Conditions, has been actively participating to said project by providing DOLE's initiatives and action plan to address concerns in the fishing industry.

The forefront policy issued by the DOLE relating to the matter is Department Order No. 156, Series of 2016 entitled "Rules and Regulations Governing the Working and Living Conditions of Fishers On board Fishing Vessels Engaged in Commercial Fishing Operation.

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