



RESPONSE TO RTEC COMMENTS
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Project Title:	Development of Portable Detection Kit for Fusarium Ear Rot Infections in Corn Phase I
Beneficiary/Proponent:	Romblon State University – Main Campus
Province:	Romblon
Amount Requested:	PhP1,260,670.80
Date of Evaluation:	December 2, 2020

RTEC Comments	Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none">There should be a formal tie up with UPLB for this project.	A MOA with RSU and MOU with UPLB are already crafted.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify the number of researchers that will be involved in the project and make sure that the researchers' involvement will be up to the end of the project.	Identified, p.2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify the project leader because this portable detection kit is patentable.	Identified already, the project leader from UPLB is DR. CECILIA B. PASCUAL and from RSU is MS. ANNA BEATRIZ R. MAYOR.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensure the effectiveness of the portable detection kits with the supplier.	Noted.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Determine the cost of the detection kits. It should be affordable for the farmers.	Standardization of costs will be determined during the development process of the kit.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">How long will it take to come up with a kit? Include this in the objectives.	Development of kit will be undertaken within 1st-3rd year of project implementation as indicated in the objectives.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Come up with workable and doable objectives. The number of trainings to be conducted, the number of participants involved, and the date of the training should be included in the expected outputs.	The objectives are workable and doable. Number of trainings and participants on these trainings are identified in the expected output.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Provide breakdown of the counterpart funds of UPLB. Define the activities of UPLB regarding this project so we would know what to expect from them.	Counterpart funds from the UPLB are allotted to building and facility as indicated in the LIB. More detailed project activities will be sent by the lead scientists from UPLB during onset of project implementation.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Researchers should have honorarium / incentive per memorandum circular 001 of DOST Guidelines. The budget is insufficient especially in the PS part.	Honorarium are allotted as indicated in the LIB.



<ul style="list-style-type: none">Put Lab in a Mug under supplies and materials.	Lab in a Mug are considered equipment to its amount. Cost range of supplies is up to 14,999 only.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Describe the reagents involved under the Lab in a Mug.	Detailed list of reagents will be sent by the lead scientists from UPLB during onset of project implementation.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Come up with a brochure for the Portable Detection Kit.	Brochure will be crafted after successful development of the portable detection kit.

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