

Philippines Statement for the UN Food Systems Summit

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1. The Philippines fully supports the goals and directions of the United Nations Food Systems Summit to launch bold new actions and solutions, to deliver progress on all the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
2. Our country's food systems transformation is anchored on modernization, industrialization, value chain-based consolidation, and professionalization being undertaken through a whole-of-nation and whole-of-government approach.
3. The local government units (LGU), for one, will play major roles in acting as food security czars in their areas; and consequently, the national government will have to invest in supporting the LGUs to perform their tasks and responsibilities.
4. The Philippine Government also highlights the importance of strengthening regional and global cooperation for a robust and meaningful new normal, and the renewal of the ratified agreements.
5. We are joining the Coalitions of Actions such as on Zero Hunger, School Meals, Healthy Diets, Family Farming, and Agroecology to collaborate and harness resources for the promotion of the transformational changes we want for our Food System that can help propel progress towards our sustainable development goals.
6. Overall, we are committed to develop a cohesive, inclusive, dynamic, and collaborative approach to provide continuous guidance in reviewing and expanding existing policies towards transforming the Philippine food system into one that shapes a healthier, more competitive, gender-inclusive, and climate-positive nation, and harnesses sustainable resources.
7. Thank you and good day to everyone. God bless.