Land patent targets surpassed

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Tacloban City – The Department of Environment and Natural Resources' (DENR) Eastern Visayas office has exceeded its 2016 targets for distributing free land patents.

DENR Regional Director Leonardo Sibbaluca told reporters that 1,888 agricultural patents covering a total area of 1,483.04 hectares were distributed, beating the annual target of 1,800 patents.

Sibbaluca said 5,705 residential patents were distributed, surpassing the 5,550 target.

A total of 1,888 agricultural patents were processed and issued out of the 1,800 patents targeted for the year, covering 1,483.04 hectares, he said.

Sibbaluca said his office also resolving 68 land dispute cases, eight more than target. "This implies the fast in resolution of cases related to land disputes," he said.

Sibbaluca said the department's Land Management Service is in charge of managing, disposing, recording and administering the alienable and disposable lands, as well as other real properties of the government not placed under the jurisdiction of other agencies as mandated by various laws.

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