

RECOMMENDING THE SUSTAINED UTILIZATION OF COCO PEAT OR COIR DUST AS A COMPLEMENTARY SOIL AMENDMENT (CONDITIONER) FOR OPTIMIZATION OF CROP YIELDS UNDER NORMAL TIMES AND FOR DROUG...

Read online (full-text search, related cases, audio case brief): <https://batas.org/library/b7853d8e5b65/>

In line with the program of the Department in providing technology information for better farm practices, the Department is enjoining all its field units, agriculturists and farm technicians to recommend and encourage the farmers to use coco peat for mulching and soil conditioning to avoid or reduce water stress in plants.

Significant research works have confirmed the capability of coco peat to provide the soil with favorable aeration to the crop, better soil moisture during long periods, and additional macro, secondary and micronutrients, hence avoiding growth and yield-limiting conditions. This has been consistently shown in global and local research and field results, including those undertaken by PCA scientists and researchers. Thus, coco peat has been shown to benefit plants in terms of growth and early and stable fruiting of trees, thereby optimizing yields and reducing production cost.

Aside from being a biodegradable and convenient carrier of organic nutrients for plants, coco peat has been proven for its absorptive retention for water eight times its weight, thus, reducing the need for frequent watering while enhancing the moisture holding capacity of the soil for a much longer period.

In anticipation of a long dry spell brought by another "El Niño" phenomenon, all regional offices and attached agencies and bureaus of the Department are hereby enjoined to adopt and recommend the application of coco peat and other coconut husk material as effective soil conditioner for farm use.

Pertinent to this directive, the attached Administrative Order No. 43 Series of 2000, prescribing the use of seedling containers or receptacles made from indigenous organic materials, like coconut husk, coir, coco peat and other plant fiber, is hereby reiterated.

This ORDER shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: 25 March 2002

(SGD) LEONARDO Q. MONTEMAYOR
Secretary

ABOUT BATAS.ORG

Study smarter at BATAS.org

The Philippine bar review and law-school companion built around how your brain actually remembers.

The complete Philippine law library - free for everyone.

More than 100,000 Supreme Court decisions, Republic Acts, and executive issuances - full-text searchable, browsable by category and year, and always free. No paywall, no login. This PDF came from it.

Audio case-brief lectures.

Any decision becomes a podcast-style lecture - facts, issues, ruling, and doctrine - with read-along highlighting and a hands-free presentation mode. Study while commuting, working out, or resting your eyes.

Bar review built on the science of memory.

Complete, sequenced courses for all eight bar subjects, narrated like podcasts and reinforced with retrieval practice and spaced review - the study techniques with the strongest evidence behind them.

The full law-school curriculum.

One subscription unlocks the entire J.D. curriculum - every subject, every lesson, with your progress tracked down to the paragraph so you can pick up exactly where you left off, on any device.

Mock exams that tell you where you stand.

Timed multiple-choice exams graded instantly, with per-subject score breakdowns and focus suggestions that point you at your weakest topics first.

A study planner that keeps you on pace.

Set your schedule and BATAS tells you every day whether you are on track for bar day - and exactly which lesson to take next.

Start free at <https://batas.org>

The law library is free forever - and your first lesson is one click away.

The text of this document is an official public record and remains in the public domain. Formatting, presentation, and compilation © 2026 batas.org.

Downloaded free from the batas.org Law Library. Share it freely - the library is free for every law student, bar reviewee, and practitioner.