## BASIC DESIGN STUDY REPORT

# ON

## DEVELOPMENT

### OF

# AGRARIAN REFORM COMMUNITIES IN MARGINAL AREAS

## IN

## THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

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### PREFACE

In response to a request from the Government of the Philippines, the Government of Japan decided to conduct a basic design study on Development of Agrarian Reform Communities in Marginal Areas in the Republic of the Philippines and entrusted the study to the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

JICA sent to the Philippines a study team from July 31 to September 28, 2000.

The team held discussion with the officials concerned of the Government of the Philippines, and conducted a field study at the study area. After the team returned to Japan, further studies were made. Then, a mission was sent to the Philippines in order to discuss a draft basic design, and as this result, the present report was finalized.

I hope that this report will contribute to the promotion of the project and to the enhancement of friendly relations between our two countries.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the officials concerned of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines for their close cooperation extended to the team.

February, 2001

Kunihiko Saito President Japan International Cooperation Agency

#### Letter of Transmittal

We are pleased to submit to you the basic design study report on Development of Agrarian Reform Communities in Marginal Areas in the Republic of the Philippines.

This study was conducted by the joint venture between Sanyu Consultants Inc. and Katahira & Engineers International, under a contract to JICA, during the period from July, 2000 to February, 2001. In conducting the study, we have examined the feasibility and rationale of the project with due consideration to the present situation of the Philippines and formulated the most appropriate basic design for the project under Japan's grant aid scheme.

Finally, we hope that this report will contribute to further promotion of the Project.

Very truly yours,

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