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## **NEWS/PRESS RELEASE**

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### **MB closes Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc.**

***PDIC to pay all valid insured deposit claims***

The Monetary Board (MB) of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) prohibited [Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc.](#) from doing business in the Philippines through MB Resolution No. 1253.B dated September 23, 2021 which also directed the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC), as Receiver, to proceed with the takeover and liquidation of the bank.

The PDIC took over the bank on September 27, 2021.

For the safety of the bank clients and local residents, the PDIC field personnel complied with the health, quarantine and travel protocols in accordance with Resolution No. 98-A issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF). The same Resolution also authorized the PDIC personnel to travel on official business unimpeded to ensure that the PDIC is able to fulfill its mandates under the law.

Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc. is a single-unit rural bank with Head Office located at 25 Juarez St. cor. Bonifacio St., Brgy. 5 (Poblacion), Lucena City, Quezon. Latest available records show that as of 30 June 2021, Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc. has 472 deposit accounts with total deposit liabilities of ₱140.0 million, of which 80.2% or ₱112.3 million are insured deposits.

The PDIC assured depositors that all valid deposits and claims will be paid up to the maximum deposit insurance coverage of ₱500,000.00 per depositor.

Individual account holders of valid deposits with balances of ₱100,000.00 and below, and who have no outstanding obligations nor have not acted as co-makers of obligations with Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc., are not required to file deposit insurance claims. These individual depositors must ensure that they have complete and updated addresses with the bank. Depositors may update their addresses by submitting Mailing Address Update Forms (MAUF) until October 1, 2021, either through the dropbox available at the bank premises, or by sending a scanned copy of said Form and valid ID to email address, [grandrb-pad@pdic.gov.ph](mailto:grandrb-pad@pdic.gov.ph). MAUF will be made available at the bank

premises or may be downloaded from the PDIC website at [www.pdic.gov.ph](http://www.pdic.gov.ph). Insurance payments for valid deposits with balances of ₱100,000.00 and below will be made through postal money order and targeted to be sent via mail starting on October 27, 2021.

For business entities and all other depositors who are required to file claims for insured deposit, receiving of claims is targeted to start by November 12, 2021. Details will be announced through the PDIC website [www.pdic.gov.ph](http://www.pdic.gov.ph), and PDIC's official Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/OfficialPDIC](https://www.facebook.com/OfficialPDIC).

Borrowers are likewise reminded to continue paying their loan obligations with the closed Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc. and to transact only with designated PDIC representatives. The procedures for settlement of loan obligations are available in the PDIC website.

For more information on the requirements and procedures for filing deposit insurance claims and settlement of loan obligations, depositors and borrowers of the bank are enjoined to attend the virtual Depositors-Borrowers' Forum scheduled on October 26, 2021. Details of the Forum will also be announced in the PDIC website and Facebook page.

As provided for by the PDIC Charter, the PDIC shall likewise accept Letters of Intent from interested banks and non-bank institutions for possible purchase of assets and assumption of liabilities (P&A) as a mode of liquidating Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc. Letters of intent should be submitted within 60 days from takeover date subject to compliance with the requirements prescribed under the [\*Guidelines in Pre-qualifying Proponents and Evaluating the Proposals for Purchase of Assets and Assumption of Liabilities Mode of Liquidating Closed Banks\*](#) which can be accessed in the PDIC website.

To ensure the safety of all concerned and observance of health protocols, all clients of the bank may communicate with PDIC through any of the following modes: Public Assistance Hotline during office hours at (02) 8841-4141, Toll-Free Hotline at 1-800-1-888-PDIC (7342) during office hours for those outside Metro Manila, e-mail to [grandrb-pad@pdic.gov.ph](mailto:grandrb-pad@pdic.gov.ph) or Facebook private message. In view of the strict health protocols, visits to the PDIC will be on appointment basis only. Appointment schedule may be secured through telephone, email or Facebook private message.



**Grand Agri Rural Bank, Inc.**

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*The Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC) was established on June 22, 1963 by Republic Act 3591 to provide depositor protection and help maintain stability in the financial system by providing deposit insurance. Effective June 1, 2009, the maximum deposit insurance coverage is PhP500,000 per depositor. All deposit accounts by a depositor in a closed bank maintained in the same right and capacity shall be added together. A joint account shall be insured separately from any individually-owned deposit account.*

*PDIC news/press releases and other information are available at the website, [www.pdic.gov.ph](http://www.pdic.gov.ph).*

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