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Let us revisit and reflect on a momentous event that unfolded on April 25, 2024! 🔍

In a significant step towards environmental conservation and sustainable development, Mindanao State University - Iligan Institute of Technology (MSU-IIT), through the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, has forged a crucial partnership. On April 25, 2024, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was formally signed between MSU-IIT, Non-Timber Forest Products - EP Philippines (NTFP), and the Mat-i, Man-ibay, Civoleg, and Langguyod Higaonon Tribal Community Incorporated (MAMACILA).

The MOU marks the commencement of a collaborative endeavor titled "Training on Carbon Stock Assessment and Carbon Sequestration of Disturbed and Pristine CADT areas for the Indigenous Peoples (IPs) Communities of the Kimangkil-Kalanawan-Sumagaya-Pamalihi (KKSP) Mountain Range." This initiative aims to assess and enhance the carbon stock and sequestration capabilities of the identified areas, crucial for environmental sustainability, through the lens of citizen science.

At the heart of this partnership lies a commitment to empowering Indigenous Peoples (IPs) communities while fostering environmental stewardship. Ms. Erlinda P. Morga, Chairperson of MAMACILA, played a pivotal role in ensuring community representation and consent. Recognizing the significance of tribal governance, Ms. Morga diligently secured a written resolution from the council of elders, authorizing her to sign the MOU on behalf of the community.

As the journey towards environmental resilience unfolds, MSU-IIT, NTFP-EP Philippines, and MAMACILA stand united in their commitment to forging a sustainable future for generations to come.

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