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### Women's Month Celebration: NSTP CWTS Environmental Cluster Leads Mangrove Reforestation Activity in Iligan City

In celebration of Women's Month, the NSTP CWTS Environmental Cluster, under the leadership of Mr. Jaypee Yongco, spearheaded a significant environmental initiative entitled "Kababaihan ug Kinaiyan: Mangrove Reforestation Activity" on Bayug Island, located in Brgy. Hinaplanon, Iligan City. This event not only celebrated women's contributions to environmental conservation but also aimed to restore and protect the marine ecosystem through the collaborative efforts of both men and women.

The role of women in the conservation of the marine ecosystem was highlighted during the event, emphasizing their crucial involvement in nurturing and preserving our natural resources. Women participants actively engaged in various activities such as harvesting propagules, replanting mangroves, and planting new mangrove saplings along the coastal areas of Bayug Island.

The objectives of the "Kababaihan ug Kinaiyan: Mangrove Reforestation Activity" were multifaceted and aimed to achieve the following:

1. **Environmental Conservation:** To contribute to the restoration and preservation of the marine ecosystem by planting mangroves, which serve as vital habitats for various marine species and help protect coastal areas from erosion.
2. **Community Engagement:** To foster a sense of environmental responsibility and community involvement among the participants, encouraging them to take an active role in safeguarding the environment for future generations.
3. **Gender Equality:** To recognize and celebrate the significant contributions of women in environmental conservation and empower them to take on leadership roles in sustainable development initiatives.

By actively participating in activities like mangrove reforestation, the community not only contributes to the conservation of the marine ecosystem but also strengthens their bond with nature, promoting a sustainable and eco-friendly way of life. The "Kababaihan ug Kinaiyan: Mangrove Reforestation Activity" serves as a shining example of how collective action and gender inclusion initiatives can

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