

October 21, 2021

**MGEN. RUBEN L. CARANDANG, PAF (RET)**

Chairperson, RDRRMC MIMAROPA and  
Regional Director, OCD MIMAROPA  
PEO Compound, Kumintang Ilaya,  
Batangas City

Dear **Dir. CARANDANG:**

In celebration of the 2021 National Science and Technology Week, DOST-MIMAROPA will be holding pre-NSTW activities in the form of online technology forums and launchings from **October 26-28, 2021**.

In line with this, may we request you and/or representatives from your office to attend the opening ceremony followed by the virtual presser **on October 26, 2021, 1:30PM**. Under the banner of **“SMARTER MIMAROPA”**, the agency will launch in the virtual presser its newest initiatives such as the water-related technologies provided and to be provided in the region, digitalization system for micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs), Artificial Intelligence-based disaster risk and reduction management (DRRM) technologies, and the MIMAROPA STARS Volume 5, a compilation of success stories of DOST-MIMAROPA and its assisted MSMEs and community-based enterprises (CBEs).

For confirmation, kindly register to this link: <https://bit.ly/MIMAROPARSTWOpening>. Attached is the Working Program of Activities for your reference.

Our coordinator, **Ms. Athena Colline L. Verdey**, will keep in touch with you regarding this matter. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us through our telephone numbers (02) 837-2071 loc. 2092/2093; mobile numbers 09064920743/ 09063403967; or email [stpromo.dost4b@gmail.com](mailto:stpromo.dost4b@gmail.com).

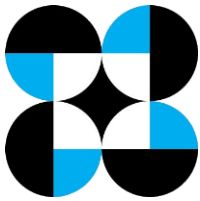
Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Very truly yours,

**DR. MA. JOSEFINA P. ABILAY**  
Regional Director

*“Hatid ay makabagong solusyon!”*

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**2021 NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK**  
**THEME: AGHAM AT TEKNOLOHIYA: TUGON SA HAMON NG PANAHO**

**DOST-MIMAROPA REGIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK**

**SMARTER MIMAROPA**  
**OPENING CEREMONIES and VIRTUAL PRESSER**

**PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES**

TIME	ACTIVITY	
1:00 PM- 1:30 PM	Registration	
1:30 PM- 1:40 PM	Invocation National Anthem DOST Hymn	AVP
1:40 PM – 1:45 PM	Opening Remarks	<b>DR. MA. JOSEFINA P. ABILAY</b> Regional Director DOST-MIMAROPA
1:45 PM- 2:00 PM	DOST-MIMAROPA Pre-NSTW and NSTW Activities (Overview)	AVP
2:00 PM- 2:30 PM	Launching of Water-related Technologies for the MIMAROPA Region	
	Launching of the “Digitalization of Business Processes of Selected MIMAROPA MSMEs” Project	
	Launching of the Artificial Intelligence based Initiatives for DRRM	
	Launching of the MIMAROPA STARS Volume 5	
2:30PM – 2:45 PM	Messages	<b>ENGR. SANCHO A. MABBORANG*</b> Undersecretary for Regional Operations DOST
		<b>DR. FORTUNATO T. DE LA PENA*</b> Secretary DOST
2:45 PM	DOST-MIMAROPA Press Conference	

*\*For confirmation*

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