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COASTAL CLEANUP



As the world celebrates International Coastal Cleanup 2023, different organizations, institutions, private entities, and local government units join this yearly gathering of volunteers, making a name in the realm of "Sea the Change." Championing the move towards achieving the worldwide sustainable development goals, the College of Maritime Education is dedicated to conserving and sustaining the use of seas and oceans and protecting life below water.

At the SM by the Bay, SM MOA Central Park, on September 16, 2023, this shared goal was clearly demonstrated through the collective efforts of many. Through the initiative of Capt. Ruszell J. Apachecha, Dean of Maritime Education, and Ms. Clarisse Anne G. Lebios, OIC of the Community Outreach Department, we were able to join another significant event in the community.



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Among the thousands of volunteers who participated in the SM by the BAY International Coastal Cleanup Drive 2023 were the COD Coordinator, Ms. Melissa P. Cabria; the Maritime Leadership Training Program Adviser, 3/M Angelo Villapeña; the non-teaching personnel, Ms. Genny A. Arzola and Mr. Edwin Salinas; and the active student volunteers from the College of Maritime Education of the University of Perpetual Help System Laguna.



This event exemplifies the importance of following the UN's Sustainable Development Goal Number 14: Life Below Water, and aligns with the COD's quality objectives of improving the health status of the community and fostering partnerships with local, national, and international organizations for larger beneficiaries.

