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## Improving awareness on GAD of DOST I new staff

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region 1 through its Gender and Development (GAD) Program recently conducted an orientation on basic GAD concepts for its new staff. Gender and Development (GAD) Program is formulated to make Philippine governance gender-responsive through RA 7192 and RA 9710 or the "Women in Development and Nation Building Act" and "Magna Carta of Women" respectively. The program, on the other hand, recognizes the role of women in nation building, ensures the fundamental equality before the law of women and men. DOST I has been implementing projects, programs and activities equipped towards sustaining gender-awareness and gender mainstreaming for both its internal and external clienteles. A total of 19 new GAD advocates are now aware of the concept of gender, sex, gender roles, gender biases, and the what and whys of Gender and Development.

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