



DOST-1 UNVEILS INNOVATIVE INITIATIVES: HIGHLIGHTS PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, AND ACTIVITIES AT THE 27TH NATIONAL PRESS CONGRESS

The Department of Science and Technology Regional Office No. 1 (DOST-1) in collaboration with The Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (PAPI), the Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte, and the Laoag City Government, successfully hosted the 27th National Press Congress on December 11-13, 2023 at the Fort Ilocandia Resort Hotel, with the theme, "Media's crucial role in encouraging agricultural scientific and technological innovations in LGUs" to media practitioners across the country, underscoring the pivotal contribution of the media in disseminating information that can drive progress and innovation in the agricultural sector.

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DOST-1 TRAINS RESIDENTS OF LINUAN AND DELLES IN BURGOS, LA UNION ON RICE AND TROPICAL FRUIT WINE PROCESSING

The Department of Science and Technology Regional Office No. 1, in collaboration with the Provincial Science and Technology Office La Union and the Local Government Unit of Burgos, organized a one-day Technology Training on Rice and Tropical Fruit Wine Processing for Linuan and Delles residents in Burgos, La Union on November 21, 2023.

Hon. Efren Padillo, Barangay Captain of Delles, expressed gratitude to DOST PSTO La Union and the Local Government of Burgos for conducting the training. He also acknowledged

the cooperation of Linuan and Delles residents, highlighting the potential impact of the activity as an alternative livelihood for the communities.

Resource persons, Ms. Gheinila L. Acaso and Ms. Lanni Elenor Quibin of DMMMSU, discussed Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) and Food Safety, providing insights and extensive explanations on the best processes for rice and tropical fruit wine production. They guided trainees on techniques for making excellent wines with optimal outcomes.

Ms. Florina Delos Reyes of LGU

Burgos, La Union, expressed gratitude on behalf of Mayor Comedis to DOST and DMMMSU, appreciating the training and thanking the resource persons.

The technology training aimed to explore health benefits of wine consumption, focusing on practical skills for producing innovative rice and tropical fruit-based wines. The goal was to equip participants with expertise to differentiate these products in the market, empowering them to contribute health-conscious offerings to the evolving landscape of



DOST 1 PROVIDES TRAINING ON 5S IN THE WORKPLACE TO PANGASINAN SETUP BENEFICIARIES

The Department of Science and Technology Regional Office No. 1 recently conducted a comprehensive training on 5S in the Workplace for beneficiaries of the Pangasinan Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SETUP). This event took place on December 15, 2023, at the Hotel Consuelo Resort and Chinese Restaurant in Lingayen, Pangasinan, organized by the Provincial Science and Technology Office (PSTO).

Engr. Arnold C. Santos, the Provincial Director of PSTO-Pangasinan, warmly welcomed SETUP cooperators, expressing gratitude for their valuable contribution to strengthening Micro, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) in the province.

Mr. Jonathan M. Viernes, the Provincial S&T Director of La Union, served as the resource speaker, leading the training on 5S principles. He shared his extensive expertise in maintaining an orderly workplace, emphasizing the importance of Sort, Set in order, Shine, Standardize, and

Sustain in the workplaces of SETUP cooperators.

Following the training, an engaging open forum provided a platform to identify and address the challenges faced by SETUP cooperators in their business operations. The primary objective was to create a collaborative environment, allowing DOST 1 to formulate practical solutions to assist in overcoming these challenges.

Meanwhile, Ms. Adelisa C. Florendo, DOST 1 Science Research Specialist II and SETUP Regional Coordinator, facilitated a comprehensive re-orientation session on SETUP policies. Her role ensured that all stakeholders were well-informed and aligned with the latest SETUP policies.

Ms. Sheryl Ann E. Balmadres, Science Research Specialist I of PSTO-Pangasinan expressed her gratitude to SETUP cooperators for their dedication to enhancing business operations and acknowledged their valuable partnership with DOST 1.





The event featured prominent speakers, including Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, DOST 1 Regional Director; Hon. Cecilia Araneta-Marcos, Vice Governor of Ilocos Norte; Engr. Sancho A. Mabborang, DOST Undersecretary for Regional Operations; and Mr. Johnny P. Dayang, PAPI Chairman Emeritus.



Senator Robinhood C. Padilla, Chairman of the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media, stressed the influential role of media in shaping public opinion. Mr. Nelson S. Santos, PAPI National President, introduced Dr. Renato U. Solidum Jr., DOST Secretary, who highlighted collaboration between media and science for agricultural innovation.

A press conference, led by PIA Region 1 Regional Director, Dir. Jennilyne C. Role, provided an interactive platform for participants' engagement.



The event also featured informative sessions with esteemed resource persons, including Mr. Jose Torres Jr., Director General of the Philippine Information Agency; Hon. Flordeliz E. Cabanlit Fargas, Executive Judge, Trece Martires City, Cavite; Dr. Richard Nixon C. Gomez, General



Manager of Bauertek Corporation; and Dir. Richard P. Burgos, Director of DOST-Science and Technology Information Institute (STII).

On the second day, speakers such as Mr. Mark Laurence C. Martinez and Ms. Melicia Ciriaco presented. DOST 1 Regional Director, Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, emphasized DOST 1's focus on economic and social benefits, highlighting initiatives like scholarships, SETUP, and CEST. A city tour on the third day showcased collaboration's impact on agricultural progress.



A SYMPHONY OF COMPASSION AT DOST 1'S HANDOG PARA SA CAMP ONE

In the festive spirit of the holiday season, the Department of Science and Technology Region 1 (DOST 1) organized a heartwarming event, "Handog para sa Camp One Child Development Center," last December 20, 2023 in Rosario, La Union.

This event, orchestrated by DOST 1, went beyond the ordinary, embodying the true spirit of Christmas and showcasing the agency's commitment to community well-being. Families and children gathered at the center, creating an atmosphere filled with anticipation and the promise of something extraordinary.

Dr. Teresita A. Tabaog, the Regional Director of DOST 1, shared a heartfelt message emphasizing the agency's mission to bring hope and smiles to communities, especially during the Christmas season.

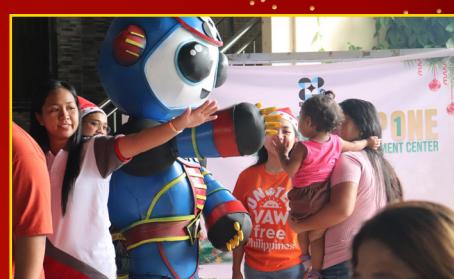
The highlight of the event was a gift-giving ceremony, where DOST 1 employees, led by RD Tabaog, played Santa's emissaries, delivering gifts to

the children and extending the spirit of giving to their families.

Adding a touch of whimsy, the lovable DOST 1 mascot, Sciglat, delighted the children, bringing an extra dose of magic to the festivities.

Barangay Captain Hon. Ferdinand G. Estrada together with Teacher Rochelle Palabay Baguyos, parents and children expressed their profound gratitude, recognizing the significant impact of DOST 1's initiative in bringing joy to the Camp One community.

In the true spirit of Christmas giving, DOST 1 showcased the importance of quality service that transcends boundaries. The agency demonstrated its commitment to uplifting communities, leaving an enduring memory of warmth, kindness, and the true spirit of Christmas, resonating with the harmonious notes of compassion and community unity.



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Greetings from DOST-1 Family!



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