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### DOST 1 participates in the RGADC 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Regular Meeting

The Department of Science and Technology Region1, represented by Ms. Adelisa C. Florendo and Ms. Maureen Heidi L. Perez, participated the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Regular Meeting of the Regional Gender and Development Committee (RGADC) on 04 February 2021 via Zoom.

RGADC is one of the support committees of the Regional Development Committee (RDC) in consonance with Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2016-01 by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) that prescribes the acceleration and gender mainstreaming at the regional and local levels.



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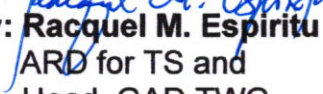
Atty. Harold Kub-arón, RGADC Chair and Regional Director of Commission on Human Rights (CHR) Region 1, presided and called the meeting to order. The agenda of the meeting were the discussions and approval of the 2020 Accomplishments and 2021 Work Plan, proposal of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ilocos GAD Convention, conduct of the Deepening Session, and the 2021 National Women's Month Celebration.

Ms. Mariz Dafnae Mendoza of NEDA Region 1 presented the 2020 Accomplishment Report of the committee. This includes the Evaluation of the Enhanced Ilocos RDP 2017-2022 Midterm Update Using the Harmonized GAD Guidelines (HGDG) on Development Planning, endorsement of the Guidelines for Mainstreaming GAD in the Regional Development and Annual Investment Program, conduct of the 1<sup>st</sup> RGADC webinar in celebration of the 18-day Campaign to End VAWC, among others. Also, Ms. Mendoza presented the 2021 Work Program of the committee.

The proposal on the conduct of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ilocos GAD Convention on March 25-26, 2021 was presented by Atty. Anna Leah Romero of CHR Region 1, which later on unanimously approved by the committee members.

Representatives from PCW also discussed the upcoming Deepening Session and the 2021 Celebration of the National Women's Month this March. They encouraged committee members to partake in the online advocacies and organize activities in their respective agencies in support to the celebration.

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