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NEDA VIII promotes the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028 and the Eastern Visayas Regional Development Plan (EV RDP) 2023-2028 to the Vice Mayors' League of the Philippines – Eastern Visayas Chapter

26 March 2024 – The NEDA VIII participated in the Vice Mayors' League of the Philippines (VMLP) Eastern Visayas Chapter Annual Assembly on 20-23 March 2024 in the Municipality of Dapa, Siargao Island, Surigao del Norte. Chief Economic Development Specialist (CEDS) Annielyn B. Costiniano presented the salient features of the PDP and EV RDP for 2023-2028, stressing the critical role of Local Government Units in the effective Plan implementation and monitoring, especially in light of full devolution. Likewise, she underscored legislative measures/actions that may be adopted by the different Sanggunian Panlungsod/Bayan in the region.

The event coincided with the 2023 Local Legislative Award (LLA) Regional Awarding Ceremony. The LLA award recognizes the exemplary performance of city and municipal Sanggunians in enacting legislative measures that help build the foundation of meaningful local administration and development. The Department of the Interior and Local Government VIII spearheaded and accorded official recognition among outstanding Sanggunians in Eastern Visayas for their innovations and distinctive practices in local legislation.



Chief Economic Development Specialist Annielyn B. Costiniano presents the salient features of the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 and the Eastern Visayas Regional Development Plan 2023-2028, highlighting major Legislative Agenda requiring LGU support/actions.



Resource Persons from the DILG VIII and NEDA VIII together with the Regional Presidents of Vice Mayors' League of the Philippines – Eastern Visayas Chapter Vice Mayor Dennis Sy and Philippine Councilors' League - Eastern Visayas Councilor Ralph Vincent Evardone

Also present as resource persons during the event were DILG VIII Regional Director Arnel M. Agabe and Assistant Regional Director Atty. Darwin N. Bibar. Attendees include Mayors, Vice Mayors, and Sangguniang Bayan members, secretaries, and staff.

To conclude the event, the participants conducted a benchmarking activity in nearby municipalities, mainly to observe major economic activities and gain insights on best practices that can be replicated in Eastern Visayas.

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