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DILG R1 stands out in 2018 CapDev ACE Awards

The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) bagged two out of five award categories in the 2018 Capacity Development Awards for Catalysts of Excellence (CapDev ACE) 2018 of the Local Government Academy (LGA): Ugnay ng Mamamayan (Most Outstanding LGRRC) for Local Governance Regional Resource Center 1 (LGRRC 1); and Dangal ng Kagawaran (People’s Choice) for LGOO VII Randy S. Dela Rosa, Cluster Leader of Pangasinan; and finalist to another 2 award categories, Tatag ng Agila (Capacity Development Leadership Award) for Regional Director James F. Fadrilan, and

Bugkos ng Bayan (Most Outstanding Cluster/ HUC/ Province) for DILG – Pangasinan Provincial Office headed by Provincial Director Agnes A. de Leon.

The LGRRC 1 stood out, among the six LGRRC finalists, for being the primary center for knowledge and information in the region.

Through the leadership of its Program Manager, Assistant Regional Director Victoria H. Ramos, it mobilized its four facilities (Linkage, Capacity Development, Public Education and Citizenship, and Multi-media and Knowledge) in collaborating with stakeholders to share internal and

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Region 1: Best Per4mer on SGLG

For four consecutive years, from CY 2015 to CY 2018, the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 has been producing the most number of Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) Awardees nationwide.

Out of the 129 local government units (LGUs) assessed, 51 or 39 percent passed all the assessment areas. The assessment was focused on ensuring that the important systems and structures are in place and considered result-based parameters that would influence behavioral change.

From the 51 LGUs, 7 are consistent passers since CY 2015 namely: Vigan City, Caoayan, and Santa of province of Ilocos Sur; San Gabriel of province of La Union; and Alcala, Bayambang, and the Provincial Government of Pangasinan. Also, there are seven LGUs who are first time passers: Currimaos and Piddig of Ilocos Norte; San Esteban of Ilocos Sur; Aringay and Balaoan of La Union; and Anda and Natividad of Pangasinan.

Awardees were given a glass marker to symbolize their gains in the effective and efficient delivery of public service. Those who were conferred with the seal are eligible to access the Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) in the amount of 7 million for provinces, 5.1 million pesos for cities, and 3.2 million pesos for municipalities. Said cash incentive can be used to finance high impact capital investment projects by the LGUs.

The awardees for CY 2018 are:

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PCF Summit: venue for sharing best practices on good local governance



Aside from producing the most number of PCF Hall of Famers, the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) also bagged 3 special awards during the Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) Summit held at Sulo Riviera Hotel on November 8, 2018 and was attended by DILG R1 Regional Director James F. Fadrilan and PCF Focal Person Art Anthony Umel.

Of all the DILG regional offices, DILG R1 was able to receive the *"Pagkilala sa Masigasig na Implementasyon ng PCF"*, *"Pagkilala sa Maagap na Online Updating"*, and *"Pagkilala sa Malawakang Pagtamo ng Taunang Insentibo"* awards during the ceremony.

LGU Hall of Famers were also recognized through the conferment of *"Katangi-tanging Pagpupugay at Masidhing Paghanga Award"*. There were 13 LGUs coming from region one, namely: Laoag City and Banna of Ilocos Norte; Vigan City, Caoayan, Nagbukel, and Santa of Ilocos Sur; San Gabriel of La Union; and Dagupan City, Alcala, Bayambang, Dasol, Laoac, the Provincial Government of Pangasinan.

There was also the unveiling of the PCF Photo Exhibit that showcases the various projects being implemented by the Department.

For region one the included projects came from the local government units (LGUs) of: San Nicolas and Laoag City of Ilocos Norte; Rosario of La Union; Binalonan, Calasiao, and Villasis of Pangasinan.

The unveiling of the exhibit was headed by Senator Joseph Victor "JV" G. Ejercito and DILG's Top Management who also expressed their greetings and urged everyone in the event to continue performing and sustaining their best practices that would lead to the raising the bar of excellence in local governance.

Another highlight of the summit was the sharing of good practices on implementation of the PCF and promotion of good local governance through performance management and incentives system. Desiderius T. Martinez, City Planning and Development Officer of Vigan City, presented the AVP of their projects in their city. In his presentation, he highlighted the impacts of PCF in their city.

This event served as an opportunity to advocate the best and most successful PCF projects in the country.

(LGOO II Bernard Victor S. Ringor with inputs from Engr. II Art Anthony Umel)

3,500 barangay, government officials joins good governance summit



The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted the Barangay Summit on Good Governance on December 21, 2018 at the Narciso Ramos Sports and Civic Center, Lingayen, Pangasinan.

About 3,500 participants composed of barangay officials all over region one, officials from provincial and municipal governments, regional line agencies, and the DILG attended the summit

The activity is aimed at raising awareness on the national and local issues affecting governance and society and to further enhance capacities of barangays to improve their performance and enable them to effectively and efficiently deliver services to their constituents.

The resource speakers emphasized the significant roles of barangays in the fight against illegal drugs, criminality, corruption, and violent extremism.

Director Karl Caesar Rimando, DILG-National Barangay Operations Office discussed the Barangay's Role on the Prevention of Illegal

Drugs; Assistant Secretary Alexander L. Macario, Assistant Secretary for Peace and Security presented the Barangay's Role on the Prevention of Violent Extremism; Provincial Director Virgilio P. Sison, DILG-Ilocos Sur tackled the Barangay's Role on the Campaign Against Criminality; Ms. Marilou Hababag, DILG-Office of Barangay Affairs presented the Magna Carta of Barangays; and Mr. Willy de Vera, DILG R1 Federalism Regional Coordinator talked on the Fundamentals of Federalism.

Senator Joseph Victor 'JV' G. Ejercito also graced the event. He thanked the all-out participation of everyone and recognized the important roles of barangays in promoting good governance. "Kung trabaho lang ang pag-uusapan, isa sa mga pinakapagod, talagang tunay na nagtatrabaho sa atin pong gobyerno ay ang ating mga barangay officials," Senator Ejercito said.

Senator Ejercito presented his office's advocacy such as the promotion of the universal health care program; and upcoming projects to include the transportation modernization and infrastructure development.

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59 R1 LGUs top ADAC Performance Award



Photo from Province of Pangasinan Official Facebook Page

“The war against drugs can only be won when everyone ‘chips in’ their contribution, and to have a good number of LGUs as recipients of the award is a clear manifestation that the country’s illegal drug efforts are leading to the right direction.” says DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año as he commends the winners of the 1st National Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Performance Awards on December 28, 2018 at The Manila Hotel, One Rizal Park, Manila.

Out of the 1,715 provinces, cities and municipalities, 241 local government units (LGUs) garnered 85 – 100 points corresponding to an adjectival rating of ideal or high functionality, and out of this 241 LGUs, 59 LGUs or 24.48 percent came from Region 1.

Among the 59 awardees of Region 1, 5 LGUs were awarded the Gold Award with a perfect score of 100 based on the functionality indicators that were used to score and measure the functionality of provincial, city and municipal ADACs.

The 5 LGUs with perfect functionality points score are: Alaminos City and Bayambang from the Province of Pangasinan; and Agoo, Balaoan, and San Gabriel of La Union.

On the other hand 54 LGUs were awarded the Silver Award with high functionality points between 85 and 99 percent composed of the 4 Provinces, namely Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union and Pangasinan; 5 Cities namely Candon City of Ilocos Sur, City of San Fernando in La Union, Dagupan City, San Carlos City, and Urdaneta City in Pangasinan; and 45 municipalities namely Bacarra, Marcos and San Nicolas in Ilocos Norte; Caoayan, Galimuyod, Nagbukel, Salcedo, San Esteban, San Juan, Santa and Santo Domingo in Ilocos Sur; Aringay, Bacnotan, Bauang, Burgos, Caba, Luna, Naguilian, Rosario, San Juan, Santol, Sudipen and Tubao in La Union; and Alcala, Anda, Balungao, Bolinao, Bugallon, Burgos, Calasiao, Infanta, Labrador, Laoac, Lingayen, Malasiqui, Pozorrubio, Rosales, San Manuel, San Nicolas, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, Sison, Sual, Urbiztondo and Villasis in Pangasinan.

The Gold Awardees will each receive P250,000.00 cash incentive and a plaque of recognition, while the Silver awardees will each get a plaque of recognition.

The National ADAC Performance Award is given to LGUs that achieved an adjectival
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DILG R1 holds campaign against violent extremism



In a joint effort to defy violent extremism in the region, the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1), in collaboration with the Philippine Army (PA) and the Philippine National Police (PNP) conducted a Roll-out Training on the Prevention of Violent Extremism on November 27-28, 2018 at MelSol Hotel, Bantay, Ilocos Sur.

The 2-day activity was attended by 77 participants composed of: the barangay officials coming from the 17 identified affected barangays of Ilocos Sur; non-government organizations (NGOs); city/municipal local government operations officers (C/MLGOOs); national government agencies (NGAs), and other stakeholders.

As part of raising the awareness of the community on the issues of violent extremism, three resource speakers were invited to discuss various topics: LGOO VII Rogelio C. Quitola of DILG Ilocos Sur, Cluster Leader DILG Ilocos Sur discussed strengthening Filipino values, cultural sensitivity, and action planning; LTC Ronald Bautista of the AFP, discussed Violent Extremism Leading Terrorism, and Vulnerable Sectors to Radicalization and Violent Extremism; and PSInsp Jordan Tomas of the PNP discussed Community Anti-Terrorism Awareness.

The module used during the activity was developed by the DILG through its project

“National Advocacy Campaign against Illegal Drugs, Criminality, Corruption and Violent Extremism” in cooperation with various key agencies. The activity aims to raise awareness on violent extremism that will build the capacity of the barangay government, civil society and key members of the community to help create safe, peaceful, and resilient communities that are able to resist the lure of violent extremism and its ideologies.

(LGOO II Bernard Victor S. Ringor)



La Union LGUs conferred with the SCFLG and so are other R1 LGUs



The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) together with the Department of Social Welfare and Development Field Office 1 (DSWD FO1) held its awarding ceremony of the Seal of Child Friendly Local Governance (SCFLG) during the 26th National Childrens' Month Celebration on November 9, 2018 with the theme: "*Isulong: Tamang Pag-aaruga Para sa Lahat ng Bata!*" at the Rosario Farmer's Center, Rosario, La Union.

All LGUs in the Province of La Union were conferred with the SCFLG for passing the 2017 Child Friendly Local Governance Audit. This reflects the continuous commitment of the twenty LGUs in promoting children's rights to survival, development, protection and participation towards a Child-Friendly Philippines.

To show their support DILG R1 Regional Director James Fadrihan together with DILG La Union Provincial Director Paulino G. Lalata, Jr, DILG Rosario MLGOO Krishan Faye G. Biason, Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer Ranilo P. Ipac of the province of La Union, and the City and Municipal Welfare Development Officers attended the activity.

In his message, RD Fadrihan congratulated the recipients while at the same time challenging them to strive further in advocating the rights of every children and to continue giving the best possible service to their constituents.

SCFLG is based on the results of the mandatory Child-Friendly Local Governance

Audit (CFLGA), which is conducted annually and covers all cities and municipalities throughout the country.

Aside from the LGUs of La Union, 101 other LGUs coming from the other provinces of region 1 received the award: 23 from Ilocos Norte; 34 from Ilocos Sur; 44 from Pangasinan.

The seal is awarded to the cities and municipalities that have passed all the criteria set by the audit system subsequent to an assessment gauging their level of performance in implementing child-friendly programs and establishing measures which promotes children's welfare. **(LGOO II Ingrid Ira M. Ignacio)**

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He also shared his experiences and learnings as a former local official. He invited everyone to conduct benchmarking in San Juan City and learn how the city has transformed into what it is now.

The Barangay Summit on Good Governance is in line with the national government's campaign on intensifying the fight against illegal drugs, criminality, corruption, and violent extremism, and the Department's goal of maintaining peace and order with an end view of establishing a peaceful environment where every Filipino can live safely and happily. **(PO III Marife M. Doculan)**

DILG R1 conducts SubayBAYAN



The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted the Subaybayan ang Proyektong Bayan (SubayBAYAN) provincial roll-out for LGU focal persons and DILG R1 field officers on September 18, 2018 at One Vittoria Hotel, Bantay, Ilocos Sur.

The objective of the activity was to discuss the rationale, features, and functions of SubayBAYAN and to allow the participants to undergo a hands-on activity that would enhance their understanding of the program.

In his message, DILG Ilocos Sur Provincial Director Virgilio P. Sison emphasized the importance of SubayBAYAN.

"I believe that SubayBAYAN is an effective tool that can aid us in the faster monitoring of all OPDS locally-funded projects because it was infused with useful analytical tools such as geo-tagging, map integration, physical and financial monitoring graphs, reports and administrative functions, among others. Therefore, let us absorb all learnings for a more effective implementation of SubayBAYAN", he said.

The roll-out was conducted by the DILG Regional Office together with the Office of the Project Development Service (OPDS) of the DILG Central Office. Cheryl Flores, Project Monitoring and Evaluation Division Chief of the OPDS, served as the resource speaker.

(LGOO II Gladyn Gracee S. Gumnad)

Agoo drug rehab center, inaugurated

Agoo, La Union- the Agoo Out-Patient Drug Rehabilitation Center and the PDEA Satellite Office/Bahay Silangan was inaugurated on September 12, 2018.

Agoo Municipal Mayor Stefanie Ann Y. Eriguel led the ceremony together with: Undersecretary Jimmy L. Manabat of the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission; Representative Sandra Y. Eriguel of the 2nd District of La Union; Governor Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III of the Province of La Union; and Deputy Director General Ismael G. Fajardo, Jr. of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA).

Members of the Regional Oversight Committee (ROC) on Drug Clearing Operations were also present to show their support. Among those in attendance were: Regional Director James F. Fadrilan of the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1); Regional Director Bryan B. Babang of PDEA Region 1; Assistant Regional Director Edwin V. Sanchez, MD of the Department of Health Region 1; and Provincial Director Ricardo G. Layug, Jr. of La Union Police Provincial Office.

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ADAC strengthening and performance audit orientation conducted in IN



The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 together with the Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) conducted a provincial roll-out for Anti-Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) Strengthening and Performance Audit for the province of Ilocos Norte on August 1-2, 2018 at Northview Hotel, City of Laoag, Ilocos Norte.

The two-day activity aimed to orient the participants on the constant drive of the government to fight the illegal-drug problem faced by the country by involving the participation of the local government units (LGUs) through their ADACs.

On the other hand, the DDB presented the Integrated Drug Monitoring and Reporting Information System (IDMRIS) which is a system devised for data collection and monitoring on the conduct of Community Based Rehabilitation Program (CBRP) by the ADACs.

The rationale of the activity was based on the DILG-DDB Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2018-01 which provides that all levels of ADACs must undergo a performance audit starting on the year 2017 and every year thereafter.

Through the performance audit, it will be ensured that the ADACs are functional and that

they comply on the indicators stated on JMC 2018-01 that would support to the reduction of drug affectation in the community.

(LGOO III Jaime Gregory I. Espina III)

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DILG Pangasinan conducts PGRR completion workshop



The Department of the Interior and Local Government – Pangasinan Provincial Office in partnership with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and 13 local government units (LGUs) conducted a Workshop for the Completion of the Provincial Governance Reform Roadmap (PGRR) on September 3-7, 2018 at Vista Marina Resort and Hotel, Olongapo City, Zambales.

It was conducted to complete the pertinent section of the PGRR for presentation to the Provincial Government of Pangasinan for executive sponsorship, and for endorsement to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan for adoption.

Participants of the workshop were members of the Provincial Local Road Management Team from the various departments and offices of the provincial government and representatives from civil society organizations (CSOs), business sectors, and the academe.

It was facilitated by Mr. Ever Abasolo of UNDP wherein the outputs were presented and consequently included in the PGRRs.

The said workshop is a follow-through activity of the cluster workshop held on July 24-27 of the same year with the objective of drafting the PGRR on Local Road Management and Public Financial Management, which was participated by seven provinces, including the province of Pangasinan.

It is also a part of a capacity building intervention under the Conditional Matching Grant for Provinces (CMGP) program of the Department that aims to provide assistance to provinces in the rehabilitation and repair of provincial roads all-over the country.

(LGOO II Alvin Joseph A. Rosario)

Sugpon declared as 10th drug-free municipality in IS

Through the combined forces of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Philippine National Police (PNP), Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and the Local Government Unit (LGU), Sugpon was declared a drug-free municipality, the 10th in the province of Ilocos Sur, on July 2, 2018.

In a program held at the Municipal Covered Court, Sugpon, Ilocos Sur, the 87 drug surrenderees from the three affected barangays listened intently to the messages of Mayor Fernando Quiton Sr. that bore a message ripe with commendations and challenges to remain drug-free.

On the other hand, Provincial Director Virgilio P. Sison of DILG Ilocos Sur also gave a message.

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Sta. Catalina's ADM funded evacuation center inaugurated

The Sta. Catalina Evacuation Center, a build back better evacuation facility and one of the priority projects funded by the Assistance to Disadvantaged Municipalities (ADM), was inaugurated last July 30, 2018.

With the hazards of flooding and storm surge that Sta. Catalina faces, the 12 million peso – evacuation center funded by ADM is a great help to the average of 105 evacuees who need assistance annually.

The three-storey evacuation center can accommodate 200 families and is equipped with various amenities like a breastfeeding

room, Persons-with-Disabilities (PWD) room, among others. It also houses the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (MDRRM) Command Center.



Photo from Ryan Luis V. Singson
(Official Fan Page)

Present during the ceremony were Sta. Catalina Mayor Edgar Rapanut, Sangguniang Bayan members, and other municipal employees. It was also graced by: Governor Ryan Luis Singson of Ilocos Sur; Regional Director James F. Fadrihan, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Region 1; Cluster Leader Rocelyn Charina Flora, DILG Ilocos Sur; other provincial employees; Civil Society Organization (CSO) representatives; and a representative from the Office of the Civil Defense (OCD). *(LG00 II Gladys Gracee S. Gumnad)*

LGRRC-MSAC annual conference conducted



The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted its 4th Quarter Local Governance Regional Resource Center-Multi-Stakeholders Advisory Committee (LGRRC-MSAC) and Learning Visit on December 26-28, 2018 at Lohas Hotel, Clark, Pampanga. It was attended by the LGRRC and MSAC members coming from the national government agencies (NGAs), academe, civil society organizations (CSOs), local resource institutes (LRIs), other stakeholders, and DILG regional and provincial office.

The objectives of the activity was to: present the accomplishment of LGRRC 1, and formulate an action plan for 2019; discuss the strategies done in the implementation of the program; to acquire insights on the ISO implementation of the Province of Bataan; and as well as their
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4 Ilocos Sur FRs received E-CLIP assistance



Four (4) former rebels (FR) from Banayoyo and Candon City, Ilocos Sur received financial assistance from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) through the Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program (E-CLIP) on July 6, 2018 at the Provincial Governor's Office, Bantay, Ilocos Sur.

The FRs received Php 15,000.00 initial assistance and Php 50,000.00 aid for livelihood. The cash assistance was awarded by Victoria Ramos, Assistant Regional Director (ARD) of DILG Region I, Virgilio Sison, Provincial Director (PD) of DILG Ilocos Sur, Ryan Luis Singson, Governor of the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, LTC Charles Castillo, Battalion Commander of the 81IB, 71D of the Philippine Army (PA) and BGen Henry Robinson Jr., Commander, 702nd INF BDE, 71D, PA and PSSUPT Clint Bayacsan, Provincial Director of PNP ISPP.

ARD Victoria Ramos, speaking in behalf of DILG Regional Director James Fadrilan, said in her speech, "E-CLIP is one of the priority programs of the DILG. It aims to help in the reintegration of FRs by addressing their

issues on legal status and security as well as responding to their economic, social and psychological rehabilitation needs. Therefore, it is imperative that the recipients be monitored in order to ensure the impact of the E-CLIP. Was the assistance given used in building their new lives? What is the status of the previous recipients of E-CLIP? Monitoring is essential in assessing the program to make it better."

Governor Singson, on the other hand, promised to provide assistance to the FRs, "It gives me so much happiness to see our brothers re-embracing our community. To show my support to your great effort, I vow to provide educational assistance and livelihood skills training. My office will always be open to help FRs return to the society."

Other agencies like the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth), Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), among others were also present to offer other necessary support to the FRs. **(LGOO II Gladys Gracee S. Gumnad)**

ConCom's Federal Constitution presented at Federalism Roadshow



October 10-11, 2018- The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1), together with the Center of Federalism and Constitutional Reform-Project Management Office (CFCR-PMO), Philippine Information Agency (PIA), national government agencies (NGAs), civil society organizations (CSOs), and other stakeholders conducted an activity that would inform and educate the people on the importance of changing the government's unitary form to federalism.

Dubbed as the Federalism Roadshow, the activity was divided into three components, namely: The Media Forum, wherein various stakeholders interacted with the Bayanihan Federalism Consultative Committee (ConCom) members to ask questions regarding the importance of the government's move to shift the country's form of government to federal; The Townhall Meeting, wherein representative from CFCR-PMO gave updates on what has been accomplished by the office in educating the people regarding federalism and the steps

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Barangays of Sarrat gear-up for development

The 24 barangays of Sarrat, Ilocos Norte underwent the Workshop on the Formulation of Barangay Development Investment Program for 2019-2021 on November 26-27 and December 3-4, 2018 at the Sarrat Tourism Center.

The development planning process and investment programming strategies were discussed by LGOO VI John Anthony Bareng and LGOO VI Charis O. Garma, while the topic on the budgeting process and introduction to the various budgeting forms were discussed by Generoso Gantalo, Municipal Budget Officer of Sarrat.

Also, to guide the barangay officials in their expenditures, State Auditor Adrien Gertrude Ancheta of Commission on Audit (COA) Region 1 was invited to explain COA Circular No. 2012-003 or the Updated Guidelines for the Prevention and Disallowance of Irregular, Unnecessary, Excessive, Extravagant, and Unconscionable Expenditures.



As a manifestation of their commitment towards development, all the barangays have submitted their Barangay Development Plans (BDPs) and Barangay Development Investment Programs (BDIPs). **(LGOO VI Charis O. Garma)**

DILG R1 hosts Q3 regional CSBP meeting

The third Quarter Meeting of the Regional Working Group of the Comprehensive Social Benefit Program (CSBP), Region I was conducted last September 25, 2018.

RD James F. Fadrilan welcomed the participants and expressed his gratitude for the continued support of each agency.

"A lot of beneficiaries are thankful that they are receiving direct assistance from the Office of the President, through the Presidential Management Staff," he said.

"Your efforts are for the benefit of those who lost their loved ones, and they value your continued support in this program," he added.

Officer-in-charge of Presidential Management Staff-Regional Field Unit 1 (PMS-RFU) Julieta N. Castañares presented the updates from the recently conducted CSBP 2018 Assessment and Planning.

She reiterated that the validated list of (killed-in-action) KIA and killed-in-police-operation (KIPO) should come from the Philippine National Police (PNP) and Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) in accordance with the provision of the CSBP Memorandum of Agreement.

She also clarified that the educational assistance extended to children beneficiaries of the program comes directly from the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM).

A member from the Department of Public Works and Highways informed the body that some beneficiaries looking for job at the DPWH do not possess the necessary skills. Thus, they will request TESDA to provide the required skills training for DPWH post.

Mr. Mark Eslava, CSBP Focal Person of PMS gave an update on the status of KIA/KIPO beneficiaries. He gladly acknowledged the



DILG, team lead for CSBP Employment and Livelihood, for immediately hiring another beneficiary as Job Order.

A Regional Working Group (RWG) in each region was created to assist the implementing agencies at the national level in implementing CSBP, through an effective and efficient delivery of the program's benefits to the beneficiaries at the regional level. The RWG is mandated to conduct regular meetings to coordinate efforts, review progress in the implementation problem areas, and recommend activities of action plans to strengthen policies, systems and practice.

(LGOO IV Olivia Mae N. de Guzman)

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rating of Ideal (high functionality) based on the 2017 ADAC Performance Audit.

Through DILG Memorandum Circular 2018-159, the DILG announced the implementation of the 2017 ADAC Performance Audit to ensure the continued performance of the ADACs using audit criteria such as organized local ADAC; implementation of ADAC Plans and Programs; fund allocation; support to ADACs in component LGUs; and conduct of quarterly meetings.

(DMO Lara Mae P. Casuga)

PLEB skills enhancement training conducted



On 22-24 August 2018, the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted a training on People's Law Enforcement Board (PLEB) at Subic Bay Peninsular Hotel, Subic, Zambales.

It was facilitated by staffs from the DILG central office headed by Assistant Secretary for Peace and Order Manuel B. Felix, and was attended by 167 participants coming from the field, provincial and regional offices of DILG R1 headed by Regional Director James F. Fadrilan.

The 2 -day activity was aimed to: equip the participants with a background on PLEB creation, composition, and function; current scenario on evidence in administrative proceedings; analyze PLEB case flow, and introduce the PLEB online database.

The DILG R1 field officers actively participated on the different workshops and discussions relating to PLEB.

(LGOO VII Rhodora G. Soriano)

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to take to further to intensify information-education campaign; and The Federalism Convention Rally, that served as the venue for the members of the ConCom to explain the advantages of a Federalist form of government to a bigger crowd.

The ConCom who served as the resource speakers was composed of: Secretary Gary Olivar of Foundation for Economic Freedom; Professor Eric de Torres of University of the East; Commodore Rex C. Robles; Atty, Susan U. Ordinario; and Professor Eddie M. Alih. Assistant Secretary for Communication and Public Affairs Jonathan E. Malaya, who also serves as the Administrator of CFCR-PMO, also served as a resource speaker during the Townhall Meeting.

It was attended by more than 3,000 participants coming from various local government units (LGUs), business sector, religious groups, academe, and ordinary citizens, among others.

As tasked by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, the DILG serves as the spearhead on studying, advocating, and campaigning for the change in the form of government.

The Department is continuously undertaking nationwide information and education campaign to strengthen the national discourse and elicit public support for Federalism. **(Federalism RPO Willy D. De Vera)**

'Agoo drug rehab...from page 5



The facility will not only cater the drug personalities within the municipality of Agoo, but of the whole province of La Union and even from the province of Pangasinan.

On the other hand, the Bahay Silangan will provide the after-care program for the rehabilitated drug personalities. **(LGOO VI Eufemia P. Apostol)**

The rehab center is the first drug rehabilitation facility in the country to be operated by the local government unit. This is to show the full support of the local leaders of the municipality to President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's war on drugs.

It was established to help in rehabilitating drug surrenderers for them to become self-sufficient and law abiding members of the society.

‘Region 1: best per4mer.. from page 2

| Provincial Government | | Municipal Government | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Ilocos Sur | Ilocos Norte (5) | Ilocos Sur (9) | La Union (7) |
| La Union | Bacarra | Caoayan | Agoo |
| Pangasinan | Currimao | Salcedo | Aringay |
| | Paoay | San Esteban | Balaoan |
| | Piddig | San Ildefonso | Caba |
| | San Nicolas | San Vicente | Rosario |
| | | Santa | San Gabriel |
| | | Sta. Catalina | Santo Tomas |
| | | Sto. Domingo | |
| | | Tagudin | |
| City Government | Pangasinan (23) | | |
| Alaminos City | Agno | Burgos | San Manuel |
| Candon City | Aguilar | Calasiao | San Nicolas |
| City of San Fernando | Alcala | Infanta | Sta. Maria |
| Vigan City | Anda | Lingayen | Tayug |
| | Balungao | Malasiqui | Umingan |
| | Bayambang | Mangaldan | Urbiztondo |
| | Binalonan | Mangatarem | Villasis |
| | Bugallon | Natividad | |

With the help of SGLG, it is expected that LGUs, awardees and non-awardees alike, will continue to elevate their performance and to excell in providing the necessities that would benefit the people. **(LGOO V Hope E. Ordoño)**

‘Sugpon dec...from page 10

“I congratulate the Municipality of Sugpon for arriving at this significant event. I deem this occasion momentous because it takes a lot of will and dedication to be declared drug-free. Illegal drug is a colossal problem in every community, however, we can feel that it is steadily losing its power here in Ilocos Sur as evidenced by the declaration of this municipality as drug-free”, PD Sison said.

He also challenged the surenderees, “Drug-clearing is just the beginning, the challenge to you and LGU Sugpon is to maintain this drug-free status not only during the term of President Duterte but always. Stay away from illegal drugs and you can live without fear, freely and happily with your family. I am sure that LGU Sugpon will assist you in living a new and respectable life.”

He also urged the crowd to help the national government in the fight against illegal drugs to generate a productive and peaceful country.

Sugpon is considered as one of the most unique cases of drug affectation in Ilocos Sur because of the absence of Persons Who Used Drugs (PWUD). All of the 87 surrenderees are marijuana cultivators. **(LGOO II Gladys Gracee S. Gumnad)**

'DILG R1 stands...*from page 1*

external knowledge for local governance capacity building and performance excellence. Strategies in communicating the LGRRC 1 goals and objectives was established through the conduct of Regional Management Committee (RMC) meetings, Monday convocations, provincial conferences, and Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Council (MSAC) activities/ meetings; active engagement with the Regional Development Council (RDC) and its sectoral committees, and the Regional Peace and Order Council (RPOC); and information and education campaign through the publication of Paganninawan, the official newsletter of the DILG R1. The LGRRC 1 has also expanded in its 4 provinces – Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union and Pangasinan.

As part of the notable accomplishments, the DILG R1 forged partnership with various stakeholders for the conduct of capacity building activities and implementation of the client satisfaction index system. These stakeholders include the provincial chapters of the Association of Local Planning and Development Coordinators, League of Municipalities of the Philippines, and Vice Mayors League; and academe like Don Mariano Marcos Memorial State University, Saint Louis College, University of Northern Philippines, Pangasinan State University, Mariano Marcos State University, among others.

LGOO VII dela Rosa, among the six finalists, was hailed as the awardee for the Dangkal ng Kagawaran for his demonstration of commendable performance in the implementation of the Department's programs, projects and activities (PPAs) through his 'nurturing' approach. He coached and mentored the barangays of his LGU assignments in the development and implementation of best practice that may be replicated by other barangays. He also assisted in the preparation of curriculum for Culture-Based Governance to be offered at the University of Northern Philippines (UNP).

RD Fadrilan is distinguished for his 'open door' policy and strong visibility in the community. He keeps himself accessible to all employees. He believes that strong visibility in the community is eliciting support

in the implementation of DILG PPAs thereby promoting excellence in local governance.

The DILG- Pangasinan Provincial Office is recognized for its Three-Track Approach (Track 1: Provincial Director with Governor and City/ Municipal Local Chief Executives; Track 2: Cluster Leader and Provincial Focal Persons with C/MLGOOs; Track 3: C/MLGOOs with LGU Functionaries). Track 1 is a great channel to communicate and advocate the Department's PPAs to local implementers such as communicating the results of the SGLG or the Governance Assessment Report (GAR). Track 2 establishes direct link between the provincial/cluster and field offices. It triggered faster information dissemination and report compliance. Track 3 highlights fieldwork at its finest.

The CapDev ACE aims to recognize the exceptional contribution of DILG officials, employees, and LGRRC units that have displayed outstanding performance in the delivery of capacity development programs, projects and activities that have positively impacted the lives of fellow employees, the organization, and the community as a whole.

(PO III Marife M. Doculan)

DILG LU wraps-up 2018 BNEO training program

All barangay local government units (LGUs) of the province of La Union completed the conduct of their respective BNEO trainings within the months of August to September.

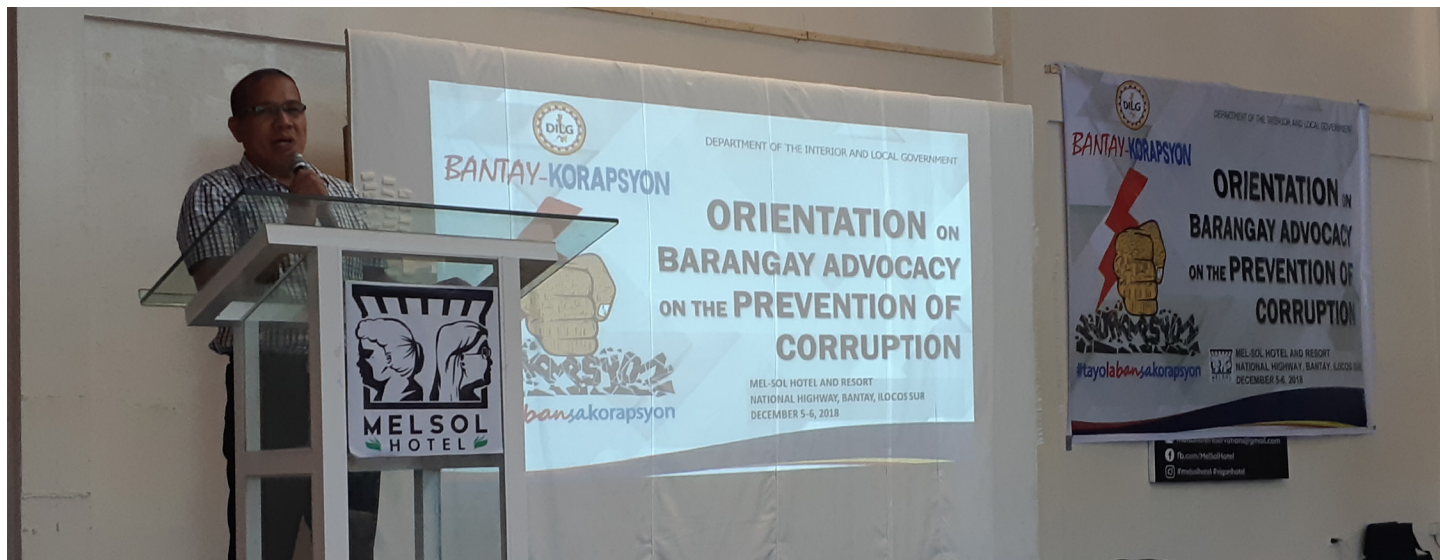
The training tackled barangay development, planning, budget preparation, fiscal administration, and Lupong Tagapamayapa among others.

The Barangay Newly Elected Officials (BNEO) training program was designed to capacitate barangay officials to better equip them with the knowledge in doing their mandated tasks and responsibilities throughout their term.

Said training program is being managed by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) through the Local Government Academy (LGA), training arm of the DILG.

(LGOO II Ingrid Ira M. Ignacio)

Orientation on anti-corruption conducted



The Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 1 (DILG R1) conducted an orientation program to support the current administration's efforts against corruption in the government on December 5-6, 2018 at MelSol Hotel, Bantay, Ilocos Sur.

Dubbed as Orientation on Barangay Advocacy on the Prevention of Corruption, the activity aims to inform and capacitate the 141 participants coming from various civil society organizations (CSOs) within the Ilocos Region the fundamentals of the anti-corruption campaign of the government.

Also, the activity aims to strengthen the link of the Department with the different Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) who serves as partners in the implementation of the program

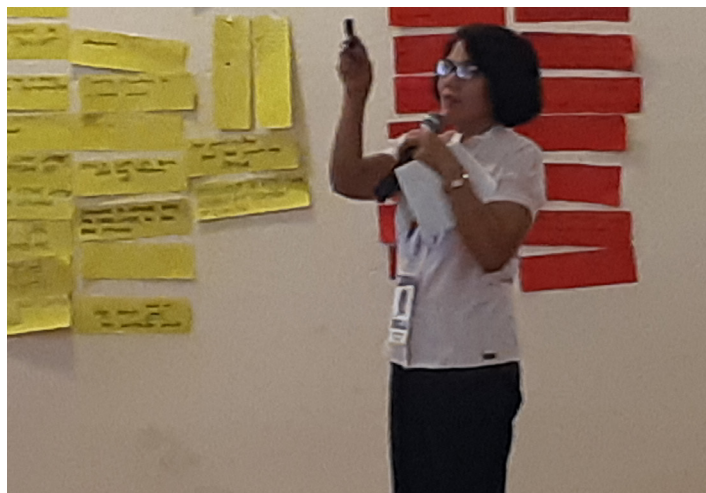
Six resource speakers coming from the DILG Regional Office 1 and DILG Provincial Offices of La Union and Ilocos Norte gave series of lectures, they are: Local Government Operations Officer VII (LG00 VII) Mila Madriaga, DILG Ilocos Norte Cluster Leader; LG00 VI Calvin Nollie Juluis B. Lubrin, DILG La Union Program Manager; Atty. Joseph O. Apolonio, Atty. IV of DILG R1; Atty. Rosemarie Wailan, Bantay Korapsyon (BK) Legal Officer; Head Coordinator Dexter Dumaguin, BK Program; and BK Assistant Coordinator Jewel D. Siruno.

The resource speakers discussed topics on: good governance and its relation in the prevention of corruption anti-corruption legal measures and institutional mechanism;

prevention of corruption through efficient government service delivery; role of the ombudsman and CSOs in the fight against corruption; different opportunities and entry point where CSOs can participate in the prevention of corruption; and the guidepost in promoting and sustaining barangay good governance.

It is expected that with this activity, the important role of the government and community partnership in the prevention of corruption will be realized that would result to a more informed, educated, empowered, and actively engaged communities in the prevention of corruption.

(LG00 II Bernard Victor S. Ringor)



Reflections: What teaching taught me

by: LGOO VI Ana Belle A. Ibanez

The Barangay Newly-Elected Official (BNEO) training is one of the major programs of the Department. The months of August and September are the busy months for this program. In the province of Ilocos Norte, the Provincial Roll-out was held last August 3, 2018.

I have been with the DILG for the past 16 years and I have had vast experiences in the BNEO program, but it was only in the year 2014 when I started to handle the BNEO program on my own as OIC-MLGOO of the Municipality of Dumalneg in Ilocos Norte.

I trained twenty (20) Barangay Officials coming from the two barangays of the Municipality. It was at that very moment that I witnessed firsthand the importance of teaching barangay officials on their various roles and responsibilities.

I saw their eagerness to learn about the fundamentals of barangay governance and other related topics covered during the BNEO. I realized that this program has deep impact on every barangay officials.

The three-day activity is very limited, not only for those who have been serving their respective barangays for years but especially for the new comers, but somehow they were able to appreciate the knowledge shared to them.

Recently, I had the opportunity to handle another BNEO program for the barangay officials who were elected last May 10, 2018 who assumed their respective offices last June 30, 2018.

To further facilitate the activity for a smoother implementation, DILG Ilocos Norte caused the creation of BNEO teams. I was assigned to Team A together with: MLGOO Mora Minda R. Barlaw of Pasuquin, as our team leader; MLGOO Laurice M. Aguinaldo of Dumalneg; MLGOO Antonette Dina J. Arucan of Bacarra, and; MLGOO Eden Consuelo A. Lara of Badoc.

I enjoyed serving as resource person in the BNEO team I was assigned to. I lectured to the barangay officials of Pasuquin, Bacarra, Dumalneg, Badoc and of course, my own municipality, Carasi.

I liked the topic on Barangay Governance the most because I was able to share to the barangay officials my experiences as a field officer, and I find consolation when participants ask questions and clarifications, especially when they express positive comments about my presentation.

In the field, DILG officers faces a lot of queries from the barangay and municipal officials. Their questions range from petty neighborhood fights to domestic violence, land disputes, drug abuse, and corruption among others.

I never thought I could speak in front of people, especially to the barangay officials. I was a high school teacher before I joined DILG but I haven't tried speaking in front of large crowds just like what I'm experiencing everytime I serve as a resource speaker for BNEO.

I'm thankful for my LGOO training because I was taught to face people, conquer stage fright, boost my confidence, and understand the importance of continuously knowing various updates on laws and rules on barangay governance. It prepared me to face large crowds knowing full well that there are veteran barangay officials in the audience.

The DILG R1 Quality Policy

DILG Region 1 shall provide effective technical and administrative services, exercise oversight function and reward excellent and exemplary performance in local governance.

We shall guarantee equal opportunities for career growth, equitable delineation of responsibilities and give due recognition as we foster integrity, commitment, teamwork and responsiveness.

We shall continue to improve our Quality Management System and comply to applicable requirements to ensure prompt, efficient and quality service delivery to our clients.

‘LGRRC-MSAC...from page 11

approach in effectively partnering with CSOs and other stakeholders, that can be possibly replicated by the LGRRC-MSAC in the implementation of the various projects, programs, and activities of the Department.

LGCCD Chief Pedro D. Gonzales gave an overview of the activity.

“There is always a need to unify efforts for the effective implementation of the different programs amidst challenges and tight deadlines,” he said.

On the other hand, the group also went to the Provincial Government of Bataan where Ms. Ludy Banzon, Provincial Administrator, shared the experience of the province in their ISO journey and the fulfillment in passing the Stage 2. Also, the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) and Investment Center representatives presented the different pipelined, ongoing, and completed projects being implemented by the province in partnership with various CSOs and other organizations.

The annual LGRRC-MSAC conference serves as the best venue to present the results of various PPAs implemented by the Department. The MSAC serves as the planning and policy making body of the LGRRC.

After more than a decade, the LGRRC has evolved from a support mechanism of the Department serving as a resource center aimed at strengthening its role as catalyst for good governance through knowledge exchange to becoming "a way of life" in delivering the Department's services by embracing the principles of knowledge management, convergence, and multi-stakeholdership. *(LGOO II Bernard Victor S. Ringor)*

Status of Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) and Locally-Funded Projects (LFP)

