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CSU-DOST 02 Food Innovation Center generated a total of 440, 000.00 pesos during the Regional Technology Transfer Day at Zen Hotel, Santiago City, Isabela on August 24, 2017. CSU-DOST 02 FIC is the first Food Innovation Center in the Philippines to award technology licensing agreements to business entities trusting the potential of the products generated by these technology to find its niche in the market. Lighthouse Cooperative, ISU Cabagan Campus, ISU Cauayan Campus, KMK, CMJ Shop and Snack, JKA Foods, LGU Sta. Ana, JND Manufacturing Industries, RLGV Food Products, LGU Echague, LGU Cauayan, L&B Dream Farm have purchased technologies to produce various food products from monggo, bamboo, sweet potato, tomato, pineapple, bugnay, coffee, etc. The CSU-DOST 02 Food innovation Center is one of the first FICs to be established in the Philippines and was initiated by Dr. Urdujah Tejada, who, during the time of its establishment was the DOST 02 Regional Director. Her support continued and strengthened

when she became DOST Assistant Secretary and Program Manager for Countryside Development.

During the event, President Tejada was awarded a certificate of appreciation by DOST for her support, leadership and guidance in the excellent performance of the CSU-DOST 02 Food Innovation Center resulting to the development of emerging food products that won multiple awards in the National Search for the Most Innovative Products of DOST.

Recognized for her success in the CSU- DOST partnership food innovation program, FIC ASEAN invited President Tejada as a resource speaker in an international seminar-workshop on the Best Practices of Establishment and Operation of Food Innovation Centers among ASEAN Member States this October.

The CSU-DOST 02 Food Innovation Center at CSU Carig Campus is manned by Engr. Arthur Ibanez as the Program Manager and Prof. Denis Policar as the Project Leader.





PRESIDENT TEJADA ATTENDS CONFERENCE AT SINGAPORE POLYTECHNIC INTERNATIONAL

President Tejada attended a conference on Conceive Design Implement Operate (CDIO)concept at the Singapore Polytechnic International (SPI) on August 30-31, 2017. This familiarization program served to inform institutional

thinking on the processes, challenges and recommendations on how they can guide their institutions in implementing CDIO effectively. It also provided them the opportunity to exchange ideas with the CDIO adopters in Singapore Polytechnic. The participants, who are senior leaders from CHED, PASUC and participating State Universities and Colleges as well as other policy makers, observed and learned how CDIO standards and skillsets are implemented during their visits to the various schools and laboratories. President Tejada said she finds a better future for CSU through the implementation of CDIO.

RRDC II RECOMMENDS CENTER PROPOSALS TO NICER

Regional Research Development Council II endorsed the program proposal of Cagayan State University to the Niche Centers in the Regions for R&D of the Department of Science and Technology during the 2nd Semester Regular Business Meeting on August 23, 2017 at ISU Echaque Campus, Isabela. The proposed program, coordinated by President Tejada, is entitled "Establishment of the Regional Agri-Trade and Industrial Research and Development Service Center". The center is intended to serve as a manufacturing and service provider facility for the industry and as a support to the academic, research and extension and production functions of the university and other collaborating State Universities and Colleges in the region or in Northern Luzon.



The establishment of the center shall institutionalize the research and development agenda for glass and jar, polyethylene terephthalate bottle, aluminum foil, tin can, toll packaging and product labeling, quality production and industrial competitiveness. Engr. Arthur G. Ibanez, Engr. Ma. Haidee A. Mabborang, Engr. Audy Quebral, Prof. Dennis Policar, Dr. Generino Sid-

dayao and Engr. Roger Rumpon, all faculty members of CSU Carig, are involved as project leaders.

On the other hand, Dr. Simeon Rabanal and Dr. Angelina Gonzales of CSU Lallo also presented their program proposal entitled "Establishment of Peanut Resource Research, Development and Training Center for Region II."

TRAINING & CAPABILITY BUILDING ON FORAGE ESTABLISHMENT & UTILIZAT

President Urdujah Tejada delivered an inspirational message to the participants of the Training and Capability Building on Forage Establishment, Utilization and Management for Resilient Livestock Production held on August 16 at CSU Lallo Campus. She emphasized on the importance Aof empowering farmers to provide quality food on the table through feeding quality food for their livestock. The training is an extension activity of the University which aims to enable participants to learn the prom-

ising and practical technologies for sustainable and

improved forage production, know the improved and innovative forage utilization and management practices, be familiar with forage grasses indigenously available and/ or introduced from other countries, conduct on-site detection of nutrient composition of forage crops, and

expert and the Director of UPLB Dairy Training and Research Institute. Prof. Manandro M. Loresco is a University Researcher II and a forage expert at UPLB-DTRI. Department of Agriculture Regional Executive Director Edillo was represented by is Dr. Roberto Busania, Regional Livestock Coordinator of the department.

The three-day training culminated with an awarding and closing program. Planting materials (giant napier) were also distributed to the participants as a start up for their forage garden.

The training was attended by one hundred seven (107) participants broken as follows: twenty (20) Local Government Officials (LGU) and Staff of the Municipality of Lal-lo, twenty two (22) members of the Faculty and Staff of Cagayan State University (CSU), Nueva Viscaya State University (NVSU) and Quirino State University (QSU) and sixty five (65) farmers from various municipalities across the region.

Development & Extension Director Victor Florante Balatico and VP for RDE Dr. Nelia Cauilan. The President expects that the training will contribute to improving the lives of the participants and the communities they come from through tangible and measurable results that shall be monitored by the Office



President Tejada is CVIEERD Chairman

President Urdujah Tejada took
her oath as Chairman of Cagayan
Valley Industry, Energy and Emerging
Technology Research and Development (CVIEERD) at Cauyan City, Isabela. Chairman Tejada was sworn to office
by DOST Secretary Fortunato dela Pena on
August 18, 2017. CVIEERD, a regional consortium, is one of the councils of the Department
of Science and Technology which is focused on



research capacity building, institutional development, regional collaboration, networking and linkages in local and foreign agencies. President Tejada, as the Chairman, is scheduled to conduct a strategic planning workshop this September.

The oath taking ceremony was a momentous affair for CSU Carig Campus as Engr. Arthur Ibanez, Campus Executive Officer was also sworn into office as the President of the Filipino Inventors Society, Cagayan Valley Chapter. Likewise, a total of 36 faculty members from CSU Carig Campus took their oath as new members of the Philippine Inventors Society.

CSU forges ties with CESO

Canadian Executive Service Organization (CESO) assured its full support to Cagayan State University through a signing of a Partnership Action Plan by CSU President Urdujah A. Tejada, Ms. Elizabeth Lane, Lead Volunteer Adviser and Mr. Matt Navalta, representative of CESO to the Philippines. The signing of the PAP was held on August 11, 2017 during a breakfast meeting. The Partnership Action Plan contains all assistance to be extended by CESO to the university. Earlier, President Tejada and VA Lane met to finalize the partnership action plan of CSU and CESO. Lane initiated the identification of priority needs of the campuses along instruction, research, extension and production.

Initially, CSU forged a Memorandum of Agreement with the Canadian Executive Service Organization last June 1, 2017 through its representative, Mr. Matt Navalta. CESO, as indicated in the MOU, will provide technical assistance to the different campuses of CSU.

During the exit conference at the CSU Conference Hall, the broad needs of the campuses were summarized as an offshoot of the campus visits done by VLA Lane. Exchange programs, capacitating faculty members in writing proposals for funding, product development and labelling, eco-tourism development, fabrication of metals and improvement of the database through a more efficient management information system are among those from the 49 identified assistance by the CESO. The organization shall provide experts to assist the university to fulfill its identified needs. Lane thanked the CSU



laborative effort to make this partnership promising. She said she looks forward to a successful partnership with the university seeing in the officials and the CSU community huge enthusiasm and its strength to excel in instruction and community development.

The tie-up with CESO, an organization funded by the Canadian Government, was made possible through the initiative of Dr. Lina M. Garan, Vice President for Partnerships and Resource Mobilization.

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CSU CO-HOSTS 3RD ICFAS 2017

CSU successfully co-hosted the 3rd International Conference on Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences with the University of the Philippines Visayas and Partido State University on August 30-31, 2017 at Hotel del Rio, Iloilo City with the theme "Ridge to Reef: Strengthening Systems for Sustainable Food Production". The conference aimed to create an academic forum for presenting and discussing issues common to CSU, PSU and UPV. Further, it tackled broader issues related to food production and security both in fisheries and agriculture.

William Padolina, Executive Director, Philippine-Callifornia Advanced research Institutes delivered his keynote speech entitled "The Quest for a Sustainable State of Food Security.

Dr. Nelia Cauilan, VP for Research and Extension, represented President Tejada who had a parallel conference at Singapore Polytechnic. In her welcome remarks, she mentioned the importance of partnering with other universities for conferences like this.

"Firstly, this will give exposure to our researchers whom we are encouraging to be active in research. Secondly, with what our researchers will learn from their engagements



here, especially informal discussions with leading fellow Filipino and foreign scientists over the next two days, our university can also take an active role in addressing information gaps that our indsutries and communities in Region 2 need. Thirdly, this event will also enable our university to catch up to the standards of leading universities here in the Philippinesand our peers in the region", VP Cauilan said.

She further said that the partnership is a demonstration of institutional mentoring, consistent with the thrust of the Memorandum of understanding that was earlier signed by the three universities.

VP Cauilan was joined in by Director Vic Balatico from the Extension Office and Dr. Eunice Layugan, Dean of CSU Aparri College of Fisheries.

of Superior Mango Varities in Region 02

President Tejada met on August 3, 2017 agriculture experts from CSU to discuss the participation of the university on the extension project "Propagation of Superior Mango Varieties for Poverty Alleviation of Farmers in Region 02". The project aims to establish small scale nursery for the propagation of superior variety of mango seedlings. CSU, through the implementing campuses particularly CSU Gonzaga, CSU Lallo and CSU Lasam shall distribute superior varieties of mango seedlings to cooperates, coming from the different municipalities of Cagayan, and train them to propagate these.

Dr. Ferdinand Oli, Campus Executive Officer of CSU Gonzaga was designated as the Program Manager to oversee and monitor the project. Dr. Joe Guzman was assigned as in-charge of training relative to the project. This is a collaborative endeavor with other institutions particularly ISU, QSU, NVSU and LGUs. The implementing institution is the College of Forestry and

Environmental Management- Isabela State University, Cabagan. President Tejada has required the implementing campuses to immediately submit their action plans as a requirement for the release of the needed funds. It is expected that the project will be completed within a year from date of implementation.



A total of 1.1 Million grant was awarded by the Department of Science and Technology Region 02 to Cagayan State University for its Food Innovation Center(FIC) and Metals Engineering and Innovation R & D Center (MEIRDC) on August 7, 2017. This feat is part of DOST's continuing efforts to improve the region's local products and to provide innovative technical services and equipment for foods and metal works processing. Engr. Sancho Mabborang, DOST 02 Regional Director, in a ceremonial turn-over, handed-in

two checks amounting to one million one hundred pesos (P1,100,000) to Engr. Arthur G. Ibanez, CSU Carig Campus Executive Officer and Dr. Aurelio C. Caldez, Dean of the College of Industrial Technology.

Six hundred thousand pesos was allotted for the Metals Engineering and Innovation R & D Center (MEIRDC) while 5 hundred thousand pesos was allocated for the Food Innovation Center (FIC).

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The Medium Term Development and Investment Plan and The Strategic Plan: THE MAKING

May 3, 2017, Vigan, Ilocos Sur.

University officials, headed by President Urdujah Tejada, convened for a Strategic Planning Workshop in Vigan, Ilocos Sur. The 3-day workshop focused on the harmonization of output and outcome indicators and the identification of impact indicators that will aid the officials in fulfilling the mandates of the university.

President Tejada, in a series of direction setting activities around the different campuses, underscored the significance of the long term effect of programs and projects the university is providing its clients and urged the officials to develop in them passion for results.

A ceremonial signing of covenant transpired on the third day of the Strategic Planning. The covenant was signed between and among the university officials as a symbol of their commitment in sustaining their performance to achieve the university vision

This activity was the last leg of a series of planning workshops conducted in the campuses. It hoped to commence with a major output--- the University Medium Term Development and Investment Plan 2017-2022 and the University Strategic Plan.

May 5, 2017

CSU officials signed, a covenant as a symbol of their commitment to implement collaboratively all the plans they have formulated in order to fulfill their obligations to the stakeholders of the university for which these endeavors were initiated.



THE COVENANT

"A Covenant solemnly binds persons to reciprocal obligations, and burdens them each with a sacred trust. It is formal, socially significant, often even sacred... Sacred History, for Jews and Christians, is the history of a covenant between God and his people. The basic legal relation between persons by which they take obligations upon themselves is a covenant, a contract."

In an earnest and determined effort to bring the Cagayan State University to the threshold of its future, the University President, the Vice Presidents and the Campus Executive Officers bind themselves – not for their sakes, but to be able to bequeath to the students of the university, to the province of Cagayan, to the region and to the nation the promise of meaningful education – to the terms of this Covenant. University Deans and heads of offices bind themselves to its obligations. By these presents, all hereby freely accept the provisions of this solemn agreement and consider themselves burdened by the obligations it imposes.

This Covenant, we are all agreed, shall provide us, the members of the CSU Community with a sense of purpose, goals and ends towards which to orient our endeavors and parameters by which we are to reckon whether the activities and projects that occupy us our worth our while and our collective energy.

This is not a roadmap sketched by the top managers of the university imposed on the entire university community. It is the result of the consensus of leaders, the fruit of the thoughtfulness of stakeholders and the product of the intrepid spirit of the university's present leaders. But it remains nothing more than a sterile piece of paper, words printed on an inert sheet unless it ignites a flame in the hearts of all who lead CSU, of all into whose able hands and caring hearts are entrusted the future of the generations of the future. It comes to life only in common enthusiasm and will see fruition only in the determination by which we consecrate ourselves to the proposition that we shall make it happen, and that the Cagayan State University will tread the path this Covenant lays out for it

In sincerity and nobility of purpose, we set our hands this 5th day of May, 2017 at the Heritage City of Vigan.

May 7, 2017

"What we do matters, not what we say."- President Tejada

In culmination of the Strategic Planning Activity, President Urdujah Alvarado- Tejada urged the officials to be output-oriented and be able to produce tangible results by learning to drive for execution. According to her, actions and results are more important than words. This, for her, is competency. She added that officials, to be rated outstanding in their performance evaluation. must habituate themselves to always consider work standards in the delivery of their duties.

She also emphasized the value of mentoring to achieve targets. Empowering others is a strategy the President believes in. She said that developing linkages, tapping capable people in the organization and working collaboratively would be beneficial in achieving results.

The President further

said that managers
must be capable to lead
change to formulate
strategies to support a
program and strive to
influence others who
refuse it by clarifying their
doubts and removing
barriers.

Further, she emphasized on integrity. Leaders, according to her, should strive for integrity and be sensitive to ethical demands because this is one way of upholding the university core values and institutional outcomes.

Lastly, President Tejada and Vice President Aquino in their message, expressed their gratitude to Dr. Ponciano Batugal and Dr. Florentina Dumlao, both consultants in the activity, who joined the officials and extended their expertise in planning and development. The final copy of the Medium Term Development and Investment Plan 2017-2022 is an output of a series of Strategic Planning Activities university wide.

July 24, 2017, Tuguegarao City

University officials presented to the Board of Regents and other stakeholders the Medium Term Development and Investment Plan and Strategic Plan 2017-2022. Fr. Ranhilio Aquino, Officer-in-Charge Office of the President, presented the Overview of the MTDIP and Stategic Plan. He emphasized that President Urdujah Tejada has been in constant communication with him in the development of these documents and that he has incorporated all her comments and recommendations.

Dr. Florentina Dumlao, the university's Technical Adviser, presented the Technical Dimensions of the MTDIP and Strategic Plan. Dr. Mariden Cauilan, VP for Academic Affavirs, Dr. Nelia Cauilan, VP for Research

Development and Extension, Fr. Ranhilio Aquino, VP for Administration and Finance and Dr. Lina Garan, VP for Partnership and Resource Management each presented their plans and programs for their departments.

Present from the side of the Board of Regents were outgoing Dir. Mary Anne Darauay and Assistant Director Ferdinand Tumaliuan of NEDA, Mr. Arjay Pando, student representative to the board, Ms. Kay Olivas representing Dir. Lucrecio Alviar of the Department of Agriculture and Atty. Joey Cauilan, Board Secretary. Ms. Alice Trinidad and Ms. Ludivina Potoy from the Department of Budget and Management were present and have pledged assistance in the format of the document based on DBM standards.

The other members of the Board of Regents earlier sent their comments and suggestions to improve the

final draft of the documents. President Tejada has always emphasized in her previous meetings with the VPs and the CEOs that CSU should have an MTDIP and Strategic Plan unique for the university. With this, the officials have committed to come up with an MTDIP and Strategic Plan that truly speaks of the vision of Cagayan State University. These documents are expected to be finalized, reproduced and published in the next month.

July 27, 2017

Father Ranhilio Aquino met the university officials to cascade the comments and suggestions of the members of the Board of Regents on the Strategic Plan and MTDIP documents.

CSU AGRI-ANIMAL INTEGRATED FARM NOW A DOT ACCREDITED AGRI-TOURISM SITE



CSU President Urdujah Alvarado-Tejada and Piat CEO Vicente Binasoy received a Certificate of Accreditation from the Department of Tourism citing the CSU Agri-Animal Integrated Farm as an Agri-Tourism Site during the Farmers Field Day conducted at CSU Piat. The campus boasts of an 18-hectare of ranch and is home to various agricultural products like cattle, fish, vegetables and fruits. It has also developed a recreation area that may be rented by the public for picnics and other events.

During the Farmers Field Day, various farm products were displayed and put on sale and farm activities were demonstrated. The production of dairy is a specific activity the campus promotes. Milk products were sold and the process of milking was exhibited.

President Tejada, in her speech, encouraged the community members who comprised a big number of the audience during the opening program, to make milk drinking a habit while supporting the milk production of Piat Campus.



The groundbreaking ceremony for the Farmer's Training Center and the three- bedroom cottage at CSU Sanchez Mira on June 23, represented an authentic culture of the Cagayano... still embodying a lively marriage of religious faith and mystical tradition in the modern world.

The ceremony began with a recitation of an invocation and a prayer in song led by Rev.Fr. Antonio Calautit, SVD who culminated with a blessing of the area with Holy Water. A canister containing a copy of the floor plan and perspective and suspended from a bamboo tripod, was pulled down to the hole by

President Tejada and Dr. Narcitas Ouano, Campus Executive Officer of CSU Sanchez Mira. This was followed by an age-old ritual of offering fresh chicken blood squeezed out from the neck of a live native chicken and sprinkled in the dug hole where a few candles were lighted. San Miguel bilog gin and water were poured in the hole. Grains of rice, a mound of sticky rice, salt and chicken egg contained in clean clay pots were all together buried in a carefully carved compartment underground. The traditional scooping and throwing of cement in the dug hole, symbolic of a strong foundation of the structure, was done by

President Tejada, CEO Narcitas Ouano, Infrastructure Director Ernesto Marallag, Carig Campus Executive Officer Arthur Ibanez, Dean Rodel Alegado and Department Chairman Froilan Pacris.

The groundbreaking ceremony concluded with a feast of suman and latik-- sticky rice wrapped in coconut leaves to resemble a pillow and is eaten with a thick and sweet coconut syrup dip, a traditional food Sanchez Mira is popular for. The sticky characteristic of the suman is known to symbolize cohesiveness among the people and such is usually served in occasions like this.



The end of the school year has just ended, but for CSU President Urdujah Tejada, this is an opportune time to improve the managerial skills of the key officials of the university. Dr. Tejada, a Career Executive Service Officer II herself, gathered the key officials in a three-day Executive Training and Workshop with the theme "Leading Resiliently, Managing Innovatively" at Plaza De Norte Hotel and Convention Center, Laoag City.

Training topics included "Administrative Law and Fundamentals", "Executive Negotiation", "The Law on Public Officers and Crimes Committed in Relation to Public Office", "The Value of Teamwork and Aligning the Team" and "Strengthening Leadership Resilience".

Speakers were VP Fr. Rannie Aquino, Dean Tony La Vina, Justice Rodolfo Palattao, CESB Executive Director Anthonette Velasco-Allones, and Career Executive Service Officer Alexander Arevalo.

Officials underwent a workshop on Executive Negotiation with Dean Tony La Vina, Former Dean Ateneo School of Governance Professor of Law, University of the Philippines, De La Salle University, San Beda College, Graduate School of Law, Ateneo de Manila University. Justice Rodolfo Palattao, a retired Justice in the SanHis funny stories made his lecture enjoyable and unforgettable. Dean Tony La Vina, JSD, lectured on Executive Negotiation. The officials were trained to handle negotiations with subordinates and other stakeholders, resolve deadlocks, and establish efficient and effective communication flows between offices and between subordinates and superior. The Executive Training for CSU officials continued on its second day today under the expertise of Executive Director of the Career Executive Service Board, Atty. Ma. Antonette Velasco-Allones, CESO I. She focused on the value and importance of teamwork and how teams should be aligned to achieve goals. She also developed in the officials strengthening leadership resilience.

Part of the Executive Training were lectures and workshops on Information Communication Technology (ICT) as an essential tool for governance and mastering Complete Staff Work (CSW). The speaker, Col. Alexander Arevalo, is an ICT expert schooled in Harvard University, Asian Institute of Management and Philippine Military Academy. He also became an Executive Assistant to three Presidents of the Philippines and pioneered the use of barcodes

and hologram stickers for the security of Presidential documents. He is also cited for the extensive application of the concept of Completed Staff Work and the innovative use of leading-edge satellite, telecommunications, computer and digital technologies in the management of the day-to-day administrative operations of the Office of the President and the Office of the Secretary of National Defense.

During the lecture, Col. Arevalo gave a symbolic bulb to President Tejada, which, he said, may stay in her office and can be used as a creative way for officials to announce that they have new ideas, concepts or projects when they click it on before the President.

With 50 kilos of luggage, Col.
Arevalo flew in with a variety of props, gadgets, and ICT essentials because for him, lecturing is putting on a show. His animated ICT presentations inspired the officials to employ the concepts he shared to implement change in their offices by applying Complete Staff Work, which is one way for them to become leaders of vision and execution.







June 10 was a remarkable day for Cagayan State University. Faculty members, administrative staff, students and guests, clad in their red anniversary shirt joined the parade around town, participated in the symbolic releasing of balloons, attended the program and patronized the products of CSU displayed in the booths

of the different campuses. The university was more honored as CHED Commissioner Lilian A. De Las Llagas graced the event as a Guest of Honor and Hon. Juan Ponce Enrile, the Founder of CSU, as a special guest invited by CSU High School Batch '87. Eight distinguished Alumni were awarded for their

remarkable accomplishments in their careers, while more than 160 faculty members were given loyalty awards.

President Tejada extended her felicitations to all CSU community members who have collaboratively extended their support to the success of this great event in the history of CSU.















President Tejada met the Academic Council met to approve degrees for the 6991 members of the graduating class of 2017 from Andrews Campus- 1862, Gonzaga Campus- 292, Aparri Campus-859, Lallo Campus- 417, Carig Campus- 2039, Lasam Campus-164, Piat Campus- 512, Sanchez Mira Campus- 846.

In her President's Report, President Tejada reported on the impressive board exam performance of the College of Medical Technology, noted for its consistent 100 percent passing rate, College of Medicine, College of Law and College of Teacher Education. She however challenged the members

of the academic council to "raise the bar a little higher" to meet the high standard of education she has always advocated on.

She also presented to the academic council the partnership CSU Graduate School has inked with the Government Procurement Policy Board allowing the offering of Certified Public Procurement Specialist Course. CSU, she said, is one of the six Universities nationwide recommended to pilot the offering of such course.

Part of her presentation was a report on the finalization of the Medium Term Development and Investment Plan 2017-2022. She said the crafting of the MTDIP had to undergo a series of activities, particularly direction setting which she herself established, integration of EPMR recommendations, finalization of output-outcome indicator and covenant signing.

President Tejada further presented the granting of an Honoris Causa to Dr. Daisaku Ikeda University President of Sokka Dakkai University with a Doctor of Humanities degree. The granting of an Honoris Causa to Dr. Ikeda she said, would allow more opportunities for internationalization of the curriculum, student and faculty mobility and international presence and distinction.



PRESIDENT TEJADA DELIVERS THE DLSAU COMMENCEMENT SPEECH

"Twice before, this university honored me--- the cradle of my academic achievements and of my professional endeavors. It honors me once more today, by allowing me to stand before this year's graduating class...

From a small town in north Cagayan, God has led me through myriad paths to the position of Assistant Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology, and now, President of the Cagayan State University, a university of thirty-six thousand students, close to a thousand members of its instructional corps and a budget of over seven hundred million pesos. It is an awesome responsibility, but De La Salle Araneta University prepared me well for it, and it is with confidence that I enter upon this new phase of my public career. It has not always been a walk in the park."

CSU President Urdujah Alvarado-Tejada presented the commencement speech during the 70th Commencement Exercises of De La Salle- Araneta University on May 14, 2017 with the theme, "Ethical Governance and the Graduates' Contribution to the Community".

An alumna of the university, Pres. Tejada completed, in 1981, her Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Administration Major in Agricultural Economics. In her speech, she alluded her successful career to the education she earned from the "exacting but zealous, demanding but dedicated professors and scholars of the university". Schooled by De La Salle Araneta University to be a scientist, President Tejada said she was molded to confront any challenge and to reject any position that cannot be tested.

Revolving on the theme of the commencement exercises, President Tejada urged the graduates to ponder on what would make life meaningful, human and humanizing, because for her, this is the measure of the "disposition and assiduousness of true scholars".

She further expressed her concern for harmful discourses on social media, in particular,

"the peddling of false statements, assertions and allegations from the anonymous masses as truth". This, she added, results to a "dulling of the critical sense and of higher order thinking skills" and to making "falsehood morph into truth".

In closing, she appealed to the graduates to help "make democracy robust again, to help elevate the level of discourse, to infuse the exchanges that go into the crafting of national policy and the enactment of law, with the level of insight that can come only from an educated heart".

PRESIDENT TEJADA URGES OFFICI TO UPHOLD



President Tejada, during the meeting of all Campus Executive Officers and University Deans on the crafting of their Office Performance and Commitment Review (OPCR) steered by VP Ranhilio Aguino, reiterated the standards upheld by CHED Commissioner and BOR Chair Designate Lilian de las Llagas---Excellence and Elegance. She reminded the

officials that in the performance of their work, they must keep in mind the partnership of these two measures. In the crafting of the OPCR, the President verbalized the importance of mastering the Medium Term Development and Investment Plan and Strategic Plan by heart because, she added, that the only way to achieve excellence is to know the direction one is supposed to

take, to know how much is to be done and how much had been done. She also expressed her dedication to extend excellence and elegance to the extension beneficiaries. "Don't forget your immediate communities, it is our way of service to the people in our campuses", she mentioned. In closing, she also urged the officials to be

ROGRAM



CSU Carig Level III, Phase I (September 10-14, 2017)

- 1. Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
- 3. Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Engineer
- Bachelor in Public Administration
 Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication
- 6. Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology

achelor of Secondary Education achelor of Elementary Education Major in: Generalist Pre-school Education

Accredited Programs last April 2017 (April 4-6, 2017)

Level II Accredited

1. Bachelor of Science in Fisheries

- Bachelor of Secondary Education
 Bachelor of Science in Accounting Technology
 Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
- 5. Bachelor of Science in Criminology
- 6. Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Industry Management 7. Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology

- Level I

 1. Doctor of Public Administration

 2. Master in Public Administration

 3. Master of Arts in Education

 Major in English

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- 4. Master of Arts in Education
 Major in Education Management
 5. Master of Arts in Education
 Major in Social Science
 6. Master of Arts in Education
 Major in Technology Education Mgmt.
 7. Master of Arts in Physical Education
 8. Master of Arts in Guidance and Counseling

- Bachelor of Secondary Education
- Major in English
- Bachelor of Elementary Education

- Bachelor of Elementary Education
 Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Industry Manager
 Bachelor of Science in Accounting Technology
 Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
 Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
 Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
 Major in Animal Science
 Major in Crop Science





"Accreditation, for us at CSU, is not the feared visit of critics, nor an inspection by superiors. It is the opening of a conversation with peers -- a frank exchange that should lead to the growth of the Cagayan State University. And for this, we thank you. You have come to help us grow."

- Fr. Ranhilio Callangan Aquino Vice President, Cagayan State University



For CSU President Urdujah Avarado- Tejada, going beyond standard is her way forward. On April 20, 2017, she led the members of the CSU administration in an External Program and Management Review Integration and Development Planning at La Breza Hotel in Quezon City. The EPMR group is an external body to evaluate and review the strengths and weaknesses of the university. The implementation of their recommendations ensures that the services CSU gives to its clientele are upgraded. The university officials brainstormed, and devised a framework based on the recommendations of the EPMR as basis for their future endeavors in their respective offices.

An executive meeting to create a climate change consortium for Cagayan Valley was held on April 3, 2017 at Cagayan State University Andrews Campus. This was made possible through the initiative of University President Urdujah A. Tejada who has committed the university to spearhead this consortium, mating Cagayan State University as the Center for Climate Change for Region 2. The objective of the meeting is to enjoin various agencies to extend support by becoming consortium member agencies in response to the challenges of climate change in Cagayan Valley.

The agencies were represented in the meeting by the directors and heads of offices themselves are Office of Civil Defense RO2, PAG-ASA, Department of Tourism, Department of Environment and Natural Resources R02, Department of Agriculture-RFO, National Economic Development Authority, Department of Science and Technology, Commission on Higher Education, Department of Interior and Local Government.

President Tejada in her welcome statement introduced the purpose of coming up with a consortium.

She mentioned that the consortium will allow the

member agencies to identify and recommend activities to be implemented for research and extension to be undertaken by the university based on priorities set by Project SAFE, REBUILD, LCCAP, etc. and thereafter conduct periodic review of the accomplishment of the consortium.

Further, she said that through the consortium, advocacy plans from research outputs conducted by the university for disaster mitigation and climate change adaptation will be developed and implemented as well as the establishment of linkages with other R and D consortia.

She stressed that a Memorandum of Agreement between and among the agencies is expected to be crafted, as well as a capsulized plan for the consortium during an intensive harmonization workshop. She highlighted the importance of sharing of expertise and resources to address issues on climate change and assured that private and public institutions are to be tapped in this consortium.

Dr. Jose Guzman, the prime mover of this project, revealed that the region is highly vulnerable to the im-

pacts of climate change considering that almost 70% of the populace live in the rural areas and depend on agriculture and fisheries to survive.

With this, he emphasized the need to strengthen the partnership between the government, civil society, and industry to develop science -based policies and technologies for climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Further, he stressed the need to harmonize all programs, projects and activities being done in the region towards a unified thematic agenda and to mainstream all the outputs towards development planning and good governance.

The agency representatives each shared their experiences and thoughts, and presented activities towards their advocacy on climate change mitigation and adaptation.

President Tejada thanked the participants for their active participation and expressed her confidence for a productive workshop and presentation of outputs in Claveria, Cagayan.



HARMONIZATION

Climate Change advocates from different agencies in the region met at Casa Grand, Claveria Cagayan in a workshop on harmonization of projects and activities on climate change adaptation and disaster risk mitigation on April 10-12, 2017. This is the second of several phases that this emerging consortium has to go through before it becomes a fully recognized and SEC registered organic body.

The purpose of this workshop is to devise a framework that will eventually be used by the consortium in meeting the objectives of its existence as an organization involved in climate change adaptation and mitigation.

The consortium shall commit itself to harmonize all the programs /projects and activities of all the agencies engaged in climate change mitigation and adaptation for more effective implementation and wider dissemination and utilization of outputs, to promote the sharing of expertise and resources needed in all sectors in climate change mitigation and adaptation activities in the region, to develop collaborative sectoral programs and projects along climate change mitigation and adaptation and to develop an improved climate change database and information management that will support timely decision making and good governance

The participants in the workshop were from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Tourism (DOT), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Office of Civil Defense (OCD), National Economic Development Authority (NEDA) and Cagayan State University (CSU).

The workshop was organized by CSU President Urdujah Alvarado Tejada, being the head of the lead agency of the emerging consortium. 😿

INTERNATIONAL DEBATERS PRESENT AWARD TO PRESIDENT TEJADA

Four winning members of the renowned Athena Law Moot and Debate Society, together with their professor, Atty. Honorato Carag and the Dean of the College of Law, Atty. Placido Sabban, paid a courtesy visit to the Office of the University President and presented to Dr. Urdujah Alvarado-Tejada a Spirit of Stetson Award and a 9th Best Oralist Award .

The Athena Law Moot and Debate Society represented Southeast Asia in the International Environmental Law Moot Court Competition in Stetson University, Florida, USA last March 30- April 1, 2017 and earned the most coveted award which exemplified competence and friendliness among competitors during the competition—the Spirit of Stetson Award. Also, Mr. Rafael Dela Cruz III won



the 9th Best Oralist Award from among 60 speakers.

The members of the debate team are Atty. Norman Clarence Lasam (Adviser) Jed Amante Apada, Rafael Dela Cruz III, Roderick Cipriano, Apple Klein Soriano, Janro Narag, Roy Joseph Pacallagan, Zeneth Quilenderino.

TIE-UP WITH SOKA GAKKAI INTERNATIONAL PHILIPPINES

President Urdujah Alvarado Tejada and University Officials met with Dr. Edward Tan, Vice General Director/Vice Chairperson- Public Relations of Soka Gakkai International Philippines in an acquaintance and exploratory meeting. The engagement covered international networking, curriculum development, and faculty and student exchange. President Tejada received books and technical papers from Dr. Tan as an initial tie up on book donations and publication exchange.



CSU receives 5000 Drug Testing Kits from DOH Drug Rehab Center

Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, Ph.D., JD, SJD

Cagayan State University, through Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, Vice President for Administration and Finance, received five thousand drug testing kits from the Department of Health Drug Rehabilitation Center, Ilagan City. VP Aquino thanked Pastor Ross Resuello for facilitating the donation. He said the kits have immediately been turned over to the PNP Crime Laboratory. These kits are to be used later by students who cannot afford the cost of drug-testing.

"The implementation will be in accordance with law, with jurisprudence and with the decisions of our Board of Regents. I am grateful to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cagayan for its

resolution of support for our policy at the Cagayan State University. The resolution of

support was principally authored by Board M ember Maila Ting and others, and to the whole Board, over which Vice-Governor Boy Vargas presides, please accept our sentiments of gratitude", Aquino said in his personal social media account.

Further, he thanked the Student Regent and the University Student Government for its support.

Fr. Aquino thanked, especially, Com. Lillian de las Llagas, Chair-Designate of the Board of Regents of the University who has always maintained full and unqualified affirmation of the program.

He clarified that the purpose of the testing is not the prosecution of those who are found positive on screening and confirmatory tests, but for the necessary psychological, medical and spiritual intervention.

"In the decisions I made as OIC, Office of the President, I always submitted a full report to the University President and kept her updated about developments", he said.

OUR POSITION ON DRUG TESTING... in a few words

- No person is beyond redemption. No person is hopelessly and irremediably perverted.
- Every student should be spared the scourage of drugs and the enslavement of habituation to dangerous substances.
- An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure. Pre-emptive action is preferable to regret and to punishment.
- When recognized early, drug use need not to turn into substance habituation.
- The drug testing requirement of the university is a gesture of concern. No one will be prose cuted as a result of drug tests.
- Those who need help will be given help, whether psychologically, spiritually or even academically.
- But help cannot be extended until the problem is discerned. No cure will be welcome unless the malady is recognized. That is why we test for drug use.
- Academic freedom that every higher education institution enjoys encompasses four great
 freedoms: the freedom to determine who should teach, the freedom to determine what to
 teach, the freedom to determine how to teach; the freedom to determine who to teach. It is
 latter freedom that grants the school the right to make requirements of its students.
- At the Cagayan State University, it is the drug test that is one such requirement among
 others. Whenever a student enrolls, there is the assumption that there must be yielding of
 some degree of privacy just us as when one enters a mall, one agrees to be frisked and
 does not complain about an invasion of privacy.
- Confidentially is the key rule. No results will be divulged except to the student and only to the guide, counselor, director or specialist who will guide the student through the process of being free of habituation or even attraction to dangerous substances.





Commencement Exercises 2017

JUNE 2017 GRADUATES

















But always remember, dear healers of the future, heal not only the physical body but the agonies of the soul. Never forget to serve from the core of your hearts, the poorest of the poor. Save precious lives.

-President Urdujah A. Tejada CMS Graduation





TOTAL: 6,872 Graduates

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And now, here you are. A little broken and bruised, but alive and intact. Another milestone for all of you. Another moment to cherish. Another battle won.

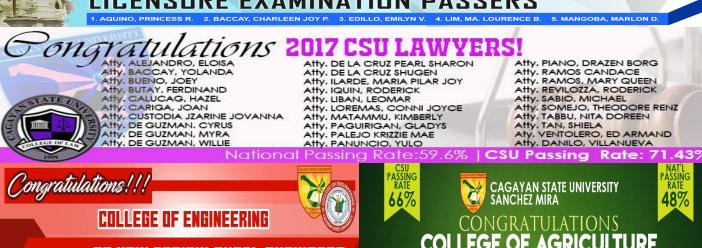
-President Urdujah A. Tejada





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