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## PRESIDENT TEJADA RECEIVES HIGHEST HONOR AWARD

une 21, 2018, Tokyo, Japan. Tejada President was conferred the Soka University Award of Highest Honor in recognition of her endearing contributions to the promotion of education, culture and the cause of world peace. In his speech, President Yoshihisa Baba, Soka University President commended the significant contributions of President Tejada to national development as a former Philippine government official in the national setting and presently

as a head of a state university, the national awards she received and her vision of providing food on the table as an agricultural scientist and her personal philosophy behind her success in winning life's battles. The decision to confer the Soka University Award of Highest Honor is made based on the consent of the university Academic Council, followed by the approval of the Board of Trustees. This time, it was presented based on the recommendation of Dr. Ikeda. The award is conferred to

recognize the achievements made by individuals in Japan and abroad for the betterment of society and humanity in their own area of contribution. Other recipients are individuals such as Wangari Maathai, Kenyan environmental activist and the founder of the Green Belt Movement and the 2004 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate; Jim Garrison, a professor of philosophy of education at Virginia Tech University and the past president of the Philosophy of Education Society and the John

Dewey Society; John Kenneth Galbraith (October 15, 1908 -April 29, 2006), a Canadian-born economist, public official, and diplomat; Dr. Hazel Henderson, a futurist and evolutionary economist.

Earlier, she was also bestowed a Soka Friendship Award by the student body of Soka University of Japan for creating value for world peace and nurturing the best and brightest human resources as reflected in the university's vision and core values. President Tejada, continued on page 6

**CSU WELCOMES 20K+ STUDENTS** 



agayan State University welcomed a total of 21, 534 undergraduate and graduate students across its eight campuses. First year enrolment totaled to 6,931 with CSU Carig having the most nunber of enrollees totaling to 2,320 followed by CSU Andrews with 1,699. The first batch of Senior High School graduates took the CSU College Admission Test on May 20, 2018 and June 22, 2018 as one of the requirements for admission in the university. Opening of classes formally started last August 28,



agayan State University successfully launched its program on Community Empowerment through Science, Technology, Education, Environmental Protection and Health (CESTEEPH): A Collaborative Community-Based Conservation, Program for Restoration and Sustainable Utilization of Mangrove in collaboration with SEAMEO-BIOTROP, Soka Gakkai International, Department of Science and Technology and Local Government Unit of Gonzaga held at Brgy. Caroan, Gonzaga, Cagayan last April 20, 2018.

The program aims to address key problems in Gonzaga where mangrove forest is at an average of 25% remaining. Most of the areas manifested severe cutting, heavy erosion and siltation in Barangays of Caroan, Tapel and San Jose.

The launching program was formally graced by Dr. Lilian De Las Llagas, CHED Commissioner and CSU BOR Chair Designate, Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada, University President, Dr. Zulhamsyah Imran, SEAMEO - BIOTROP Deputy Director for Administration and officials of DOST, DepEd and LGU Gonzaga.

Over 400 community folks participated and witnessed the declaring and signing of commitment, ceremonial planting of aroo and coconut trees and visit to the mangrove rehabilitation site. A total of 18, 000 mangrove propagules were planted; 10,500 were planted in Caroan last March 21-23, 2018; 5,000 in Tapel last March 24-25, 2018; and 2,500 propagules were also planted right after the program launching in Caroan.

Dr. Zulhamsyah Imran said during his lecture that everyone should contribute to save and protect the future generation from any disaster. "We are something if we do something", he added.

The launching was held to create awareness to the people on conservation, rehabilitation and sustainable utilization of mangrove that aims to build resiliency in mangrove communities of Gonzaga, Cagayan through bioengineering, livelihood and enterprise development, ecotourism, education, health and nutrition.









# ReBUILDing Together Towards a Resilient and Climate Smart Cagayan Valley Region

Ceremonial MOA Signing and Turn-Over of the CVCCC was held last May 3, 2018 at CSU Andrews Conference Hall as an activity of the Cagayan Valley Climate Change Consortium (CVCCC) which aims to develop platforms addressing climate change, disaster risks and impacts in the Cagayan Valley Region.

Dr. Junel B. Guzman, Vice-President of Research, Development and Extension of CSU acknowledged the guests representing various line agencies and other stakeholders in the region. Commissioner Noel Antonio Gaerlan of the Climate Change Commission, Dr. Alfredo Mahar Francisco Lagmay of UP-Resilience Institute, Regional Directors of PIA, DSWD, DOT, DILG, representatives of other agencies and their Technical Working Group (TWG) representatives were present.

Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada mentioned in her message the several projects of CSU in collaboration with other agencies like DA and DOST. She underscored how CSU shows its support to climate change adaptation by providing an office for the Climate Change program that will help Tuguegarao City in their projects related to climate change. She ended her message by extending her warmest thanks to the Commissioner in behalf of the Climate Change Consortium for supporting the establishment of the consortium.

Part of the activity is the presentation of the accomplishment/output of project ReBUILD. Ms. Katherine D. Firmeza, CCC-UNDP-NZAP Project ReBUILD Phase

1, presented Cagayan Valley's output of the ReBUILD, Phase 1, particularly the progress of the Municipality of Iguig along the conduct of the project. Mr. Judd P. Tablazon of the UP CapB Team Project ReBUILD, Phase 1, showed briefly how the Geospatial Analysis Platform (GAP) was used and how it can help in locating the areas affected by flood and landslides.

The event was highlighted by a MOA signing of the different heads of partner agencies as a commitment to join hands for the successful implementation of the project. A toast was led by the President to celebrate the newly established consortium.

After the MOA Signing, Commissioner Gaerlan presented the importance of Risk Adaptation as a key for transformation. He emphasized in his presentation the importance of having accessible data like the Geospatial Analytics National Platform (GANap) and having reliable technical support, like the TWG. Comm. Gaerlan also added that in order to come up with Risk-adaptation, there should be scientific-based information, well-adjusted plans and appropriate action. He ended his presentation by congratulating CSU for having the first climate change consortium in the country and gave his support for the upcoming projects and activities of the consortium.

The activity continued with a pledge of support by Mr. Ronilo H. Bulseco the OIC-Assistant Regional Director of NEDA. He confirmed that NEDA will fully support the consortium and gave authority to CVCCC to use the Regional GIS Information Network (RGIN). The UP-RI also pledged to support the

consortium through a powerpoint presentation, presented by Dr. Lagmay, Deputy Chief of the UP-RI. He showed the map with different scenarios of storm surges and landslides with different return period and in the end, he emphasized that the Multi-Scenario Multi-hazard map is efficient to use in predicting disasters. Also, he stressed that in order to come up with this type of map, the support of all sectors is needed in planning and creating programs. UP-RI will give its support to the consortium by providing trainings to LGU to formulate and complete the Local Climate Change Action Plan (LCCAP) and Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUDP).

There were also testimonials from the City of Tuguegarao and CSU Climate Change program. Atty. Raymund Guzman presented the city experience in Science-Based Climate & Disaster Risk Assessment; how they formed a core team and technical working group that will handle all the climate change and disaster risk assessment activity and their step-by-step procedure to provide outputs like maps that show the assessment for the said City. They also showed the activities of the city government involving CSU and other agencies that helped them produce outputs for better understanding of the effect of climate change. The city engineering department showed the future plan of the city government for Tuguegarao and how they will face the problem of the Cagayan River.

Dr. Junel B. Guzman, in behalf of Dr. Jose D. Guzman as the Project Leader, presented activities in Cagayan Valley that are related to climate change, like the Project ReBUILD where CSU was one of the partner institutions, Project AMIA of DA, DILG-CDRA/LCCAP, DENR-CRBMC, NEDA-RDC2 & RGIN, Project DINA, Project NOAH, DA-SOA and the Climate Change Program Research & Development with CDRA and LCCAP where the CSU is also involved. In this project, she mentioned the lesson and challenges the Program had faced. Lastly, she thanked all the agencies and participants for participating in this activity specially the support of the CCC and UP-RI to the consortium.

The activity ended with the Turn-Over of MOA spearheaded by Pres. Urdujah A. Tejada to Commissioner Noel Antonio V. Gaerlan.

An Advisory and Organizational Meeting of the CVCCC immediately followed involving all other agencies in order to ReBUILD together towards a resilient and climate smart Cagayan Valley Region.





# 20th oneSTore of DOST-RO2 and FISPC opens at CSU Carig Campus

SU Carig, DOST 02 and FISPC finally open the 20th oneSTore Hub!

CSU President Urdujah A. Tejada, CHED Regional Director Honorato R. Alzate and Filipino Inventors Society Producer Cooperative (FISPC) President Francisco "Popoy" O. Pagayon, assisted by Regional Director Sancho A. Mabborang, and ISU President Ricmar P. Aquino, led the ribbon cutting of the physical store of oneSTore, April 04, 2018.

oneSTore is an e-commerce platform developed by DOST

Region 02 that caters to micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) nationwide to help them widen the scope of their target market. Today, oneSTore has uploaded more than 11,000 local products from different MSMEs across the country.

Various Filipino quality products and inventions are available in the store including products of the Filipino Inventors Society Producer Cooperative and Cagayan State University.







CAREER ADD-ONS CORPORATION AND CVCAT CLUB '65, INC.

he University, in its pursuit to increase partnership with its stakeholders, is continuously reaching out and scouting for more programs, projects and activities, that would link to each of its organization's goals and objectives.

In response to this calling, the Alumni Relations and Placement Services (ARPS) paved its way to invite Career Add-Ons Corporation and CVCAT Club 65, Inc. to enter into an agreement with the University.

The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the these

agencies was signed on May 29, 2018, at CSU Conference Hall, Andrews Campus between Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada, University President and Mr. Roland Arrogante, President of Career Add-Ons Corporation and Mr. Pedro D. Avila, President of CVCAT Club 65, Inc.

The MOA signing was winessedby Dr. Junel B. Guzman, Vice-President for Research Development and Extension (RDE), OIC-Office of the Vice-President for Partnership & Resource Mobilization, Josie Y. Bas-ong, University Director for

Planning and Quality Assurance, Dr. Leticia A. Dumlao, University Director for ARPS, Dr. Mary Joy A. Borja, Campus Executive Officer– Andrews Campus, Dr. Theresa B. Dimalanta, CVCAT Club '65 members, Campus Officials and ARPS staff.

Career Add-Ons Corporation, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on February 9, 2015, is composed of highly experienced corporate executives, trainers, life coaches, extra-ordinary academicians and corporate consultants.

CVCAT Club '65, Inc. is an

organization of CVCAT 1965 graduates, and duly registered with the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC). It commits itself in unifying and building an Alumni Organization that is responsive to the needs and concerns of its members. It shall likewise embark on its NAPIA ( Network of Alumni, Professors, Instructors and Administrative Staff ) Program to offer activities alongside health care for the elderly in partnership with TIENS Group of Companies based in Tianjin, China. "UGNAYAN" Program shall likewise be introduced to



help graduating students find jobs through participation of past graduates employed in some reputable institutions and in coordination with JOBSTREET.

A MOA signing was held between the JOBSTREET.COM and the University President, Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada, CAC President, Mr. Roland B. Arrogante, CVCAT Club 65 President, Mr. Pedro D. Avila and witnessed by CVCAT member, Dr. Tomasa C. Iringan, OIC-VP for PRM, Josie Y. Bas-ong, Planning & Quality Assurance Director, Dr. Leticia A. Dumlao, VP-RDE, Dr. Junel B. Guzman, CEO-Andrews Campus, Dr. Theresa B. Dimalanta and ARPS Director, Dr. Mary Joy A. Borja.





hrough the University's partnership established with CVCAT 65 Club Corporation, another milestone through a seminar under placement services was conducted on June 18, 2018 at CSU Gymnasium-Andrews Campus with Jobstreet.com.

The activity, dubbed as: Jumpstart, was participated in by Mr. Ricardo de Jesus and Ms. Monica Palomares both executives of JOBSTREET.

The speakers discussed the recruitment trends in the Philippines, reviewing the resume, common interview scenarios and job hunting etiquette.

After the lectures, a workshop was also undertaken with interview demonstration and resume review. After which, the participants were asked to submit their

curriculum vitae/ resume for possible job opportunities.

In reciprocation of the efforts and support of Jobstreet.com to the University, certificate of recognition and tokens were awarded to the speakers by CVCAT 65 members, Mrs. Lilian Carag and Mrs. Blesilda Unite, OIC Vice-President Josie Y. Bas-ong and ARPS Director, Dr. Mary Joy A. Borja.







President Tejada receives Highest Honor Reward from Page 1

in her speech, admitted that she did not expect the award, however, she thanked Soka University and expressed her assurance that Soka University will be the partner of CSU in furthering its endeavor at improving the quality of education while instilling in its students noble virtues of compassion and the untiring search for enlightenment. The conferral ceremony was witnessed by Soka University officials, professors and student representatives, Filipino exchange students from University of the Philippines and University of the East, Soka Gakkai International officials and Atty. Joey Cauilan, Board Secretary, Professor Ana Marie Cauilan, University Information Officer and Dr. Florentina Dumlao, Technical Adviser of CSU. 🐯



### Soka Schools welcome President Tejada



une 20, 2018 was a beginning of a promising partnership between CSU and Soka Schools as President Tejada visited Soka Gakuen in Tokyo, Japan where she and her team, Atty. Joey Cauilan, Board Secretary, Prof. Ana Marie Cauilan, University Information Officer and Dr. Florentina Dumlao, Technical Adviser met the officials and students of the Senior and Junior High Schools. The officials were eagerly welcomed by the schools' top management officials as well as students who were each waving a Soka flaglet. The President was given a bouquet of flowers

presented by senior high student representatives. After a tour in the Soka Senior High School, the CSU team was later on escorted to the receiving room where the Soka officials discussed an overview of Soka Gakuen Junior and Senior High Schools inculcating Buddhist philosophies in their education. The students of Soka Gakuen also listened to President Tejada's message of thanks and inspiration. Her message focused primarily on love for others as a motivation for extending community service. A symbolic gift giving followed where student representatives handed over meaningful calligraphy tokens to the CSU officials. In turn, the CSU officials presented their tokens to the officials and students.

This official visit is fully sponsored by Soka Gakkai International in its aim to develop and strengthen ties in education through student and faculty exchange, cultural exchange and other related activities.



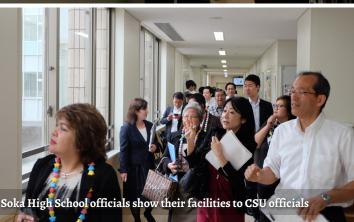
























### ALUMNI NIGHT



Lasam Alumni



Gonzaga Alumni

Alumni Awardees

Sanchez Mira Alumni



Lal-lo Alumni

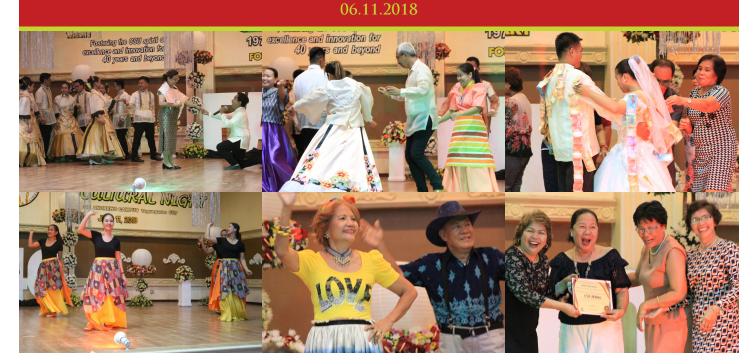


#### **ANNIVERSARY DAY**

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#### CULTURAL NIGHT





Carig, Aparri, Gonzaga, Piat Campuses dominate PARTUAT 2018



UGUEGARAO - Carig, Aparri, Gonzaga, and Piat Campuses dominated the recently concluded PARTUAT 2018: CSU Product Exhibit on June 7-14 2018 held at Cagayan State University –Andrews Campus in celebration of the 40 th Founding Anniversary of CSU.

PARTUAT 2018 is a weeklong exhibit to market science-based products and a competition event participated in by the eight campuses of the University, along with their niches, contending for four (4) awards: Best Booth Award, Best Product Award, Highest Sales Award, and the Most Visited Booth Award.

The gigantic Bamboomade Pineapple fruit perfectly exhibiting their campus niche wowed the Board of Judges (BOJ) making CSU-Gonzaga the champ in the Best Booth Competition. Aparri and Carig Campus, on the other hand, bested as runners up in this category exhibiting a façade of a boat and fishnets to showcase their fishery-related goods and three conjoined booths for FIC products respectively.

Carig Campus' Crispy Veggies bagged the Best Product Award owing to the rigorous research and product development initiatives in their Food Innovation Center (FIC). The judges also recognized the campuses in Aparri and Gonzaga for demonstrating product innovation in their goods including the aramang ice cream,

oyster sauce, embotido, and pineapple vinegar.

While CSU - Piat emerged victorious in the Highest Sales Award recording a sales of

P117, 946, CSU-Aparri notched the Most Visited Booth Award with 452 recorded visitors sporting a 40-unit difference from its next best competitor, Piat. Aside from certificates of recognitions, campus winners received cash prizes ranging from P5,000 to P10,000.

The product exhibit was arranged through the University Business and Resource Mobilization Office of the Office of the Vice President for Partnership and Resource Mobilization in coordination with the Research.

Development, and Extension Office (RDE) and regional offices who are usual partners of the University.

The judges were Ms. Desiree Angolluan, Mr. Ren Mark Marcelo, and Mr. Roberto Pancha of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Ro2, Ms. Kristin Callang and Ms. Cherrybel Cubero of the Department of Agriculture Ro2, Ms. Gina V. Dayag of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Ro2, and Provincial Director (PD) Engr. Sylvia Lacambra of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Cagayan, who acted as the chairman.



he Cagayan State University has proven its worth for forty (40) years now as it continuously delivers quality education for deserving students.

For years, the University supplied the labor market with highly skilled and qualified members of the workforce. Our graduates are found all over the world and with them is a trademark of being a CSUan.

In the minds and hearts of our graduates is a spirit of craving to go back home to their Alma Mater. It is in this view that the Alumni Night Celebration was conceived and was made possible on June 10, 2018 at CSU Andrews Campus Gymnasium.

The celebration was highlighted by "Dayaw 2018"- Most Distinguished Alumni Award". There were 28 nominees from the eight campuses from merging batches before 1978 and onwards up to 2017.

Athena Legato Singers, Athena Dance Troupe and Performers from the different campuses with their songs and dances added to the color of the night. Dr. Theresa B. Dimalanta, Campus Executive Officer - Andrews Campus gave the welcome remarks while Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada, University President, delivered

an inspirational message. OIC-Office of the Vice-President for Partnership & Resource Mobilization, Josie Y. Bas-ong presented an overview of "Dayaw 2018". Dr. Mary Joy A. Borja, ARPS Director talked about the criteria for the said search and all nominees were presented and given certificates of recognition by the University President.

Alumni Presidents or any of their representatives delivered their commitment message, signifying their selfless and unending love to the University. They offered programs, projects and activities to be undertaken in their campuses that would contribute in bringing about further development and service like construction of Alumni Center, covered walk, extension/ outreach activities, among others.

Fifty four (54) gift items were also given out during the raffle draw by some generous partner agencies.

The awards were given during the 40th Founding Anniversary on June 11, 2018 with Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada, University President and Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, SJD, Vice-President for Administration & Finance.

### MMSU links with CSU on Nipa Project



ay 21, 2018. CSU officials attended a joint meeting on the strengthening of involvement of local communities in the processing and production of bioethanol using nipa at Mariano Marcos State University. CSU, together with other LGUs and the Cagayan Provincial office of DENR, has been identified

by MMSU President Shirley Agrupis as a partner agency in the implementation of the project. The project aims to increase existing nipa plantation and in the establishment of new plantation. Nipa was identified as a plant resource to have a higher potential in the production of bioethanol.

### Former CSU VP is now the 4th President of Apayao State College

r. Nelia Cauilan, former CSU Vice President for Research Development and Extension was installed as the 4th President of Apayao State College on May 25, 2018 by CHED Commissioner Lilian De Las Llagas. The Investiture was attended by some CSU officials and faculty members led by President Urdujah A. Tejada who delivered a

speech of salutation for the newly installed president. Dr. Cauilan started as a faculty member at the College of Arts and Sciences and eventually rose from the ranks... from a Department Chairperson of Arts and Humanities, Dean of the Graduate School, Dean of Public Administration, Research Director and eventually a Vice President.



**CSU AND SOKA GAKKAI STRENGTHENS** 



ay 4, 2018. President Tejada and officials of Soka Gakkai International metatthe Marco Polo Hotel to discuss the partnership on faculty and student exchange, trainings on student leadership and exchange of communication materials. Dr. Eduardo Tan,

Chairman and CEO of Goodfellow Pharmaceuticals and Vice Chairperson-Public Relations of Soka Gakkai International and an active supporter of the CESTEEPH project involving mangrove rehabilitation in Gonzaga, Cagayan hosted the meeting. President Tejada and

CESTEEPH Project Manager Froilan Pacris presented the university's accomplishments on the mangrove rehabilitation project including the successful launching and tree planting last April 20 which was attended by more than 400 community folks from Gonzaga, Commissioner

De Las Llagas and BIOTROP Vice President Dr. Imran of Indonesia. The officials also exchanged communication materials and tokens of goodwill.



### NEWS BRIEFS

**CESTEEPH DepEd & LGU Gonzaga Briefing** 

Gonzaga, President Tejada met representatives from the local government unit and stakeholders with regards the CESTEEPH project. One of the activities of this project is aimed at rehabilitating the mangroves in the coastal areas of the municipality. This project is a product of the university's partnership with SEAMEO-BIOTROP sealed in Brunei.



#### Tie-upwith SPUP

arch 7, 2018. St. Paul University Philippines (SPUP) President Sr. erceditas Ang and her team visit Cagayan State University for a future research collaboration with Cagayan State University. In the photos, FIC Project Coordinator Dennis Policar presents the FIC accomplishments to the SPUP







# **Inception meeting & MOA signing**

arch 26, 2018, The DAREMAPS Inception meeting & MOA signing was held at Bayview Park Hotel, Manila. It was attended by two (2) guests from Climate Change Commission, seven (7) guests from Luzon Cluster including the

presidents of BU and PSAU, three (3) representatives from Visayas Cluster, six (6) from Mindanao Cluster including the Chancellors of USTP-CDO and MSU-TCTO & president of SKSU and seven (7) team members from CSU with Pres. Urdujah A. Tejada. 🐯



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#### **President Tejada completes AIM program**



resident Tejada completed Top Management Program for Higher Education Institution Presidents and Chancellors from the Asian Institute of Management on March 16, 2018. The only SUC President in the program, President Tejada attended this program through qualifying in the Professional Advancement Grant under the CHED K-12 Transition Program. The three-week program focused

on developing the participants as transformational leaders in institution building, academic management and resource mobilization. President Tejada says she is fortunate to be one of the participants in the program that provided her with much needed capacity to direct Cagayan State University to attain her vision of stewardship by transforming CSU into a leading University in the ASEAN region by the 21st century.

# CSU and UP Baguio Signs Memorandum of Academic Cooperation



President Urdujah A. Tejada (Left) and Chancellor Raymundo D.
Rovillos (Right) Signs the Memorandum of Academic Cooperation
between Cagayan State University and University of the Philippines
– Baguio in the presence of CHED Commissioner Lilian A. De Las
Llagas (Middle).



Memorandum of Academic Cooperation between Cagayan State University and University of the Philippines – Baguio was signed by CSU President, Urdujah A. Tejada and UPB Chancellor, Raymundo D. Rovillos on April 18, 2018.

The MOA is intended to develop academic and educational cooperation and promote mutual understanding between the two universities in the next five years. Among the collaborative activities stipulated in the MOA are exchange of faculty, researchers and other research and administrative staff, exchange of students, collaborative research projects, conduct of lectures and symposia and exchange of academic information and materials.

According to Chancellor Rovillos, UPB is making an effort to expand and promote cooperation among the North Luzon SUCs in order to have a better impact in the Region. For the past years, UPB has only been partnering with SUCs

from the Cordillera Administrative Region, where the university belongs.

As a pivotal activity done under the new agreement, the Research Capacity Building I Seminar Workshop was organized by UPB last April 18-20, 2018 at Cagayan State University-Andrews Campus Amphitheater. Three subject matter experts from UPB served as resource speakers to the 120 participants from the eight (8) campuses of CSU. Professor Gladys Cruz discussed about research design in experimental and quantitative researches along with the quantitative research methods. Professor Zenaida Baoanan, on the other hand, discussed the research design in the natural sciences. Professor Leah Abayao discussed the qualitative research methods and research proposal writing. A total of 11 research proposals were presented and critiqued by the resource speakers. 😿



### **CESO Partnership Continues...**

ESO Volunteer Advisers Vivien J. Escott and Ira B. Teich presented to President Urdujah A. Tejada and other officials their proposals to make CSU a tourism destination in the region during an exit conference held at the CSU Conference Hall on February 9, 2018. VA Escott's two-week exposure at CSU Piat campus with CEO Vicente S. Binasoy and Campus officials has led to the proposal of a six-year tourism development plan dubbed as CSU-Piat Nature Farm which is currently the Agri-Animal Integrated Farm showcasing various RDE projects. The campus is envisioned to be the premiere university-based farm tourism destination in the Region alongside the adoption of environmentally sustainable organic crop and animal management. She also presented the strengths and opportunities as well as challenges of the campus.

At CSU Sanchez Mira, VA Escott found the Nagbaranganan Site a perfect sanctuary for the endangered bird specie locally called "Sawi". She said provisions can be made to make Nagbaranganan a view deck for the Sawi birds.

Meanwhile, VA Ira B. Teich also presented his close out review for Andrews Campus. His technical expertise covered



business plan and proposal writing, presentations, and various forms of easy-to-use analytical tools. He shared his insights by conducting lectures for students & faculty mentoring seminars on market growth strategy, distribution channels & brand development. He was impressed at how CSU was able to harness its potentials given the limited financial resources.

Pres. Tejada is positive that the immediate execution of the

recommendations be made to improve the University's corporate image and to further strengthen RDE endeavors that has significant impact to the community and other stakeholders. She expressed her gratitude to Escott and Teich for the time well spent and their expertise to help CSU advance its mandate.

Further, she challenged OIC of the Office of the Vice President for Partnership and Resource Mobilization (PRM)
Josie Bas-Ong, Dr. Florante
Victor M. Balatico, Extension and
Development Director, Dr. Froilan
S. Pacris, Director of Knowledge
and Technology Management
(KTM) Dr. Vic Binasoy, Piat CEO
and Dr. Narcitas Ouano, Sanchez
Mira CEO in implementing the
recommendation of the VAs.

# FACULTY MEMBERS PREPARE FOR THE NEW CURRICULUM



President Tejada together with Dr. Florentina Dumlao and Dr. Laura Lintao conducted a workshop on K-12 requirements in preparation for the school year 2018-2019. The main purpose of the workshop in the campuses of Lal-lo, Gonzaga, Aparri and Sanchez Mira last February 28 - March 2, 2018 is to prepare the faculty members on the New Curriculum (to identify Flagship Programs or Niche Programs) based on comparative advantage and specialization of

each campus.

The workshop sessions included topics on the new CMOs issued by CHED, the alignment of course, SWOT Analysis and Action Plans focusing on admission requirements for first year students, inventory of faculty teaching loads and requirements, classroom utilization, laboratory and library facilities, budgetary requirements and other issues and concerns of the campuses.



r. Daisaku Ikeda of Soka Gakkai International. represented by Dr. Edward Tan, Vice General Director and Vice Chairperson-Public Relations of Soka Gakkai International Philippines, was conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters Honoris Causa by Cagayan State University during the 1st Mid-year Academic Convocation held on February 7, 2018 at the CSU Andrews Campus. Dr. Ikeda is the first and only one to be honored in 2018. The conferral of his honorary degree was approved by the University Academic Council and by the

Board of Regents. The ceremony took place on February 7, 2018, at Cagavan State University Andrews Gymnasium. The title was conferred due to his contributions to the international sphere.

Daisaku Ikeda is a Buddhist peacebuilder, philosopher, educator, author and poet. He is the third president of the Soka Gakkai and the founding president of the Soka Gakkai International (SGI), a community-based Buddhist organization that promotes peace, culture and education centered on respect for the dignity of life. As a nongovernmental organization with formal ties to the United

Nations, the SGI also collaborates with other civil society organizations, intergovernmental agencies and faith groups in the fields of nuclear disarmament, human rights education. sustainable development and humanitarian relief.

Ikeda is also the founder of the Soka (value-creation) schools whose system runs from kindergarten through graduate study and includes a university in Tokyo, Japan, and another in California, USA.

Recognized worldwide, he has received Honorary Doctorates from the University of the

Philippines (Doctor of Laws) in 1991, Doctor of Humanities from the University of Nairobi in 1992, University of Sydney and Queens College of the City of new York in 2000 among others.

A re-enactment of the conferment happened in Tokyo, Japan on June 22, 2018 during the CSU officials' trip to establish international linkage with Soka University.



ne with CSU in its advocacy for mangrove rehabilitation through its CESTEEPH program, Dr. Eduardo Tan, Chairman and CEO of Goodfellow Pharma Corporation, awarded a total of 500,000.00 to Cagayan State University as funding for its environmental projects. President Tejada said the financial assistance is timely for the launching of the CESTEEPH project of CSU involving the conservation and sustainable utilization of mangrove in a seaside community devastated the establishment of commercial fishponds and by black sand mining. Dr. Froilan Pacris,

Campus Executive Officer of CSU Gonzaga and CESTEEPH project leader has conducted several activities in the attainment of the project's objectives. These activities include community planting of 35,500 seedlings planted in Barangays Caroan and Tapel, the San Jose Marine Protected Area Coastal Cleanup Drive participated in by 100+ members of the community, barangay officials, students and CSU employees, installation of coconets to a degraded mangrove riverbank, and more propagule planting at the bioengineering

Three researches are also being conducted in relation to

the project. These are entitled: "Socio-Economic Component, Coastal Resource Use and Community Participation of Coastal Communities/Fishing Households in Gonzaga, Cagayan", "Bio-Physical and Chemical Assessment of Mangrove in Gonzaga, Cagayan" and Knowledge, Attitude and Practices of Barangays Caroan, San Jose and Tapel, Gonzaga, Cagayan on Mangrove Benefits, Conservation and Rehabilitation.







# President Tejada expresses gratitude and support to the USG

resident Tejada expressed her support as she attended the University Student Government Turn Over Ceremony at CSU Carig Campus where former USG President Arjay Pando bequeathed the symbolic key of responsibility and the USG flag to incoming President Julius Catulin. In her message, Pres. Tejada expressed her gratitude to the former USG administration for unceasingly extending their services to the student body and for defending their principles of unselfish and rational leadership during hard times. She further gave pieces of advice to the new administration to live up to committed leadership and consultative decision making. She stressed that the Office of the University President is always open for student concerns. In relation to the upcoming leadership training tentatively scheduled by the new USG administration

this month, President Tejada emphasized the importance of harmonizing the USG strategic plan with that of the university's to ensure commonality of goals for the stakeholders. Moreover, she suggested to the USG to initiate student activities focused on community service, on moral and spiritual strengthening especially for the victims of broken family and other adolescent crisis like depression, on communication skills, on environmental research and on gender and development. She urged the new student officials to help students, especially the economically marginalized, and provide inspiration to beat life's challenges. Lastly, she inspired the students with an adage close to her heart and which she attributes from her father: "The hands that give are better than the lips that pray." 😿





#### **CSU Officials Undergo Training in ASEAN University Network- Quality Assurance**

'n support to the plan to implement the AUN-QA System in Cagayan State University, four officials attended the AUN-QA Training Course for Accomplishing Programme Assessment (Tier 1) on April 3-6, 2018 at the Crown Plaza Hotel, Bangkok Thailand. The group was composed of Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, Vice President for Administration and Finance, Dr. Leticia A. Dumlao, Director of Planning and Quality Assurance, Dr. Narcitas Quano, Campus Executive Officer, CSU Sanchez Mira Campus and Mr. Ramon Toto Kanapi. Assistant to the Vice President for Administration and Finance.

The four-day course aimed to introduce the AUN-QA system and enhance the Quality Assurance at the university. This comprehensive programme was meant for professionals who are in charge of quality assurance at programme and/or institutional level from universities (both public and private) in the region.

Among the contents of the training were, Introduction of the QA in higher education in regional and international prespectives; Introduction of the AUN-QA Quality Assessment Process; and Performance the internal QA-Self Assessment at study program.

The trainers were Mr. Johnson Ong Chee Bin, AUN-QA Expert (Singapore) and Chief Happiness Coach and Tan Kay Chuan, Ph.D. Chief Quality Officer, Lead Trainer, Assessor to AUN-QA and AUN-QA Technical Team.

Lectures, small group works on simulation of programme assessment, and presentation of group outputs were the training methodologies used by the experts Upon completion of the training course, the trainees obtained the AUN-QA Training Course Certificate to be used for further QA references and serves as one of the eligibility requirements for the AUN-QA membership of the University.





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