

hosted University the 1st International Conference on Food and Economic Security and Environmental Sustainability The (ICFES). conference gathered 191 participants from different parts of the Philippines and the globe to exchange ideas on technologies, cutting-edge best practices, and direct policies for productive and environmental-friendly agriculture.

The International Conference is made possible through the partnership with Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and in collaboration with the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB), Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA), and Department of Science and Technology (DOST).

The Opening Ceremony took place last October 16, 2019 at the Claude Andrews Convention Center in Cagayan State University - Andrews Campus. CSU President Urdujah A. Tejada welcomed the guests and participants and highlighted the essence of

each of their presence in the conference in paving the way towards Food and Economic Security and Environmental Sustainability. Opening messages were also given by CHED Commissioner Lilian A. De Las Llagas and Dr. Glenn B. Gregorio, the Chair of SEARCA, through Dr. Maria Celeste H. Cadiz.

The keynote speech was delivered by UP Las Baños' Chancellor, Dr. Fernando C. Sanchez which emphasized the need to establish new paradigms for food and agriculture sectors stating that the "problems of tomorrow

can't be solved by the ways of the past". Dr. Sanchez said that the challenge is for our research to be trickled down to fisherfolks and farmers which the research intends to help.

In congruence with the conduct of the International Conference, a ribbon-cutting ceremony also transpired which officially opened an exhibit that features various Cagayano products. The exhibits were displayed at CSU Andrews' Gymnasium.

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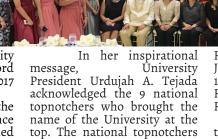
CSU TOPS 2019 RESPIRATORY THERAPIST LICENSURE EXAMINATION, PRODUCES 9 NATIONAL TOPNOTCHERS



agayan State
University has
continuously marked
its name in the Respiratory
Therapist Licensure
Examination as it delivers 111
newly licensed respiratory
therapists, rendering an
Institutional Passing Rate of
97.37%. The University was also
able to produce 9 CSUan in the
National Topnotcher List.

This victory is monumental as it indicates that the name of CSU is again sustained as the Top 1 School for Respiratory Therapist nationwide. The University has been holding this record since the September 2017 Examinations.

In honor of the outstanding performance of CSU College of Allied Health Sciences during the 2019 Respiratory Therapist Licensure Examination, a Testimonal Dinner for the 111 new breed of CSUan Respiratory Therapists, which includes the outstanding 9 ncludes the outstanding 9 hast October 4, 2019 at Hotel Roma's Function Hall.



Examination are the following:
Top 1 - Christine L. Tayona,
RTRP; Top 2 - Zhyra R. Addun,
RTRP; Top 7 - Krine Claire
F. Reynante, RTRP; Top 8 Cassandra Mae T. Mallabo,
RTRP and Ma. Criselda S.
Manawis, RTRP; Top 9 - Krissa

for the 2019 Respiratory

Licensure

Therapist

R. Molina, RTRP and Christine Joy S. Regalado, RTRP; and Top 10 - Jenevel Marie T. Jardeleza, RTRP and Maureen An Mapiles, RTRP.

She also acknowledged the relentless dedication of the College of Allied Health Sciences' faculty and staff under Dean Julius Capili who continously uphold the banner of excellence for the licensure examination.

The topnotchers also presented their testimonials and were awarded cash incentives. -UIO

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CSU PRODUCES NEW PROFESSIONALS, SOARS IN BOARD EXAMINATIONS

agayan State University continues to deliver in its commitment to producing highly capable and skilled graduates who are ready to nake a difference in the society. This is seen in the significantly high performance of CSU on the different Professional Board and Licensure Examinations.

CSU proudly produced 26 new passers for the September

Medical Technologists Licensure Examination with an Institutional Passing Rate of 86.67%, exceeding the National Passing Rate of 73.50%.

It has also produced a total of 60 newly licensed physicians during the September 2019 Physician Licensure Examination as it records a 88.24% Institutional Passing Rate, a higher percentage than the 84% National Passing Rate

public new accountants also emerged during the October 2019 Certified Public Accountant Board Examination delivering an Institutional Passing Rate of 40.91% against the National Passing Rate of 14.32%.

University President Urdujah A. Tejada congratulates each of the newly registered

professionals for passing the examination and to the equally hardworking colleges namely: the College of Allied Health Sciences, College of Medicine, and the College of Businness, Entreprenuership, and Accontancy - for the wholehearted committment to excellence in instruction.

CSU HOSTS PRIMING SESSION ON THE ADAPTATION OF A NATIONAL PEACE FRAMEWORK, FOR SUCS

agayan State University hosts the Priming Session for the implementation of Executive Order No. 70 entitled, "Institutionalizing the Wholeof-Nation Approach in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace, Creating a National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict, and Directing the Adaptation of a National Peace Framework". The event was held at Claude Andrews Convention Center at CSU - Andrews Campus last October 30, 2019. CSU President Urdujah

A. Tejada welcomed the participants in her welcome speech by promoting the niches in the campuses as they work towards peace and development. On the other hand, CHED Commissioner Lilian A. de las Llagas challenged the SUC administrators present to keep an open mind and to cultivate a culture of peace within each of the SUCs' campuses. This by supporting national development by assisting in the implementation of the National

Peace Framework.

One of the speakers, Lt. Col. Joel R. Jonson, the Head of the Operations Center of the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict, encouraged the administrators to be pre-emptive and proactive in countering the rebel groups by discussing the birth of the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF ELCAC) and its objectives, challenges, and programs to achieve sustainable and inclusive peace.

The session aims to orient the different SUC administrative officials from Region II and the Cordillera Administrative Region on the role of the higher education sector in supporting the whole-of-nation approach attaining sustainable peace. The priming session is initiated by the Commission on Higher Education and in close cooperation with the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict.



IC PROCUREMENT SPECI

The 28 enrollees from government various agencies attended the Certification Program for Public Procurement Specialist-Level 1 Opening Program and Day One session at Taj Hotel, Tuguegarao City last October 26, 2019.

under Α project the Government Procurement Policy Board Technical Office (GPPB-TSO) in collaboration with Cagayan State University through Project Team Leader and Graduate School University Dean Lily Tamayao, this certification program entitled "Certified Public Procurement Specialist Course Program (CPPSC)" aims to produce certified certified procurement specialists and practitioners that possess the required knowledge, skills, and right attitude and behavior for public procurement.

The program participants include the Bids and Awards

Committee members (BAC), BAC secretariat, Procurement Technical Working Group (TWGs), officers, supply budget officers, accountants, project managers, supervisors, contractors, and private bidders.

This batch consists of enrollees from the Regional and Provincial BFP, Cagayan Provincial Government Office, CSU - Andrews, Carig, Lallo, Piat, Sanchez Mira & Gonzaga, DepEd Ilagan, DOST Region

2, DSWD Region 2, LGU, Angandanan, Isabela, LGU. Delfin Albano, Isabela, LGU. Iguig, Cagayan, LGU, Lallo and NEDA Region 2.

The Memorandum Agreement for this collaborative program was signed on April 6, 2017 by the former DBM Secretary Benjamin Diokno, now the Central Bank Governor, and CSU President Urdujah A. Tejada at DBM, Malacanang, Manila. VIO



CESTEEPH PROGRAM BAGS 3RD PLACE DURING THE Phileasnet Affnr Extension Symposi

agayan State University CESTEEPH Program bagged the 3rd place, from among 19 extension programs across the Philippines. After having passed through a blind review from among the 19 contingents, the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology, Education, Environmental Protection and Health was one of the 3 extension programs selected for oral presentation during the 2019 PhilEASNet AFFNR Extension Symposium held at Bohol Tropics Resort in Tagbilaran City, Bohol. The project was presented by Dr. Froilan A. Pacris, Jr., CESTEEPH Project Leader. With him was University President Urdujah A. Tejada, CESTEEPH Program Manager who assured the group of a stronger support for Phase 2. The CESTEEPH Program has now commenced its project on the Establishment of Nipa Stands for Bioethanol Production which is funded by DENR.

collaborative community based program, that focuses on Conservation, Restoration and Sustainable of Utilization Mangrove Ecosystem Gonzaga in Cagayan, is a four-year program that focuses on ecological development and empowerment of mangrove communities. The team has led the community in planting 65,000 mangrove seedlings within the 25 hectare restoration areas and has introduced sustainable livelihood for fisherfolks and their families and has extended its advocacy to the youth and school children through distribution of Instruction, Education and Communication Materials.

The CESTEEPH project already planted a total of 65,000 mangrove seedlings that are now waist length in height.

To empower further the beneficiaries of the CESTEEPH Project, 41 Solar Dryers from the DOST were handed over to 4 campuses for distribution to their local beneficiaries. This aims to improve the quality of their products and eventually increase their income.

729 children from 3 public elementary schools benefit from the STARBOOKS which was also granted by DOST, helping them learn more about mangroves and mangrove protection.

CESTEEPH is a collaborative project of Cagayan State University with the Department of Science and Technology, Local Government Unit of Gonzaga, Goodfellow Pharma, Department of Environment and Natural Resources and SEAMEO-BIOTROP.

Also during the 2019 PhilEASNet AFFNR Extension Symposium, Dr. Angelina Gonzales, Director of Extension, Angelina was sworn into office after having been elected as a Board of Director of PhilEASNET. 7 faculty members to include President Tejada, have also been sworn in as new members of the organization. V-UIO







DR. PRITHIVIRAJ VISITS CSU TO EXPLORE **ON POSSIBLE PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS**

Balakrishnan Prithiviraj, Assistant Dean International of the Faculty of Agriculture of Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, Canada visited Cagayan State University last September 15 to 21, 2019 to survey the campuses of Andrews, Carig, Piat, Lal-lo, Gonzaga, and Sanchez Mira.

The campus visit was meant to introduce Dr. Prithiviraj on the different niche programs of the University which can be forged and ventured on for possible collaboration international and partnership of Cagayan

State University with Dalhousie University.

The campuses that visited welcomed Dr. Prithiviraj and briefed him on what each of the campus offers in terms of academic affairs, research development, and extension through an Orientation Program.

The visits' goal is create collaboration that will help initiate faculty and student mobility, collaborative research, and curriculum development - with primary focus on the area of Agriculture.



MOA SIGNING ENABLES GSIS FINAN ASSISTANCE LOAN FOR CSU EMPLOYEES



Memorandum Agreement was signed between the Cagayan State University through University President Urdujah A. Tejada and Vice President for Administration and Finance Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino and the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) through Atty. Isagani E. Del Rosario, GSIS's OIC-VP for North Luzon and Jeelady B. Isaac GSIS Tuguegarao's Branch Manager last September 16, 2019 at CSU's Office of the President.

The signing of the agreement enables eligible CSU

employees to avail of the GSIS Financial Assistance Loan (GFAL) at an interest rate much lower than other loaning agencies.

Under ĞFAL. employee who applies and gets qualified for the program will have the privelege for GSIS to pay their outstanding loan balance to any accredited private lending insitutions. When qualified, the loan is restructured and will be paid by the GSIS member in a lower interest rate, in amortization, and a longer time frame. 🔯 -UIO

International Conference on Food and Economic Security and Environmental Sustainability from Page 1...

The ICFES Conference officially concluded last October 17, 2019. It successfully gathered participants from different parts of the Philippines and other neighboring countries to start the dialogue on promulgating the conduct of productive and sustainable agriculture. The international participants of the conference include delegates from USA, Canada, Indonesia, Myanmar, Vietnam, and Laos.

The series of plenary sessions and parallel sessions during the conference paved the way for scholars and experts to present

their research papers that contribute towards securing food and sustaining the environment. The themes of the papers presented during the parallel sessions include Production Systems, Development & Value-Adding, Production & Protection, and Marketing & Commercialization under the strand of Food and Economic Security. For the Environmental Sustainability, the tackled divisions are Production & Protection and Production Systems.

To cap off the conference, Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, Vice President for Administration and Finance, provided the Synthesis and Resolution. Fr. Aquino emphasized that the point of the conference is the right to food where food should be adequate, available, and accessible for every people. He commended the researches that were presented during the conference and said that dissemination of information should be done regularly rather than sporadically.

For his Closing remark,
Congressman Joseph Lasam Lara
recognized the presence of the
participants as he said that it is

the most opportune time to start a dialogue about these concerns since these are problems that are currently surfacing, not only in our country but also in other parts of the globe. He further said that the outstanding presentations and active discussions that emanated from the conference are an indicator of the attainment of this purpose.

Other delegates of the conference toured some of the best tourist destinations of Cagayan before they were set to go back to their homes.



ICFES DELEGATES VISIT CSU - GONZAGA RD&E PROJECTS AND STA. ANA TOURIST SPOTS

By: Glyzelda H. Gonzales
Campus Information Officer, CSU Gonzaga

In support to the Cagayan State University Gonzaga's advocacy to rehabilitate the mangrove areas in Cagayan, the delegates of the International Conference on Food and Economic Security and Environmental Sustainability sponsored by CSU visited last, October 18, 2019, the mangrove restoration site in Barangay.

Caroan, Gonzaga, Cagayan and the site for the establishment and protection of nipa stands for bioethanol production in San Vicente, Sta. Ana. Cagayan.

To make the visit more significant, the delegates planted mangrove seedlings along the mangrove restoration area in Barangay Caroan.

The delegates were also

treated to a challenging trip to some of the tourist destinations in Sta. Ana, Cagayan. The CSU Gonzaga team brought the group to Buwakag Falls where they survived the thrill of trekking to the four chambers of Buwakag. The group also got the chance to visit Nangaramoan Beach and Pozorobo Beach where they

enjoyed the site of the South China Sea and the Pacific Ocean respectively.

The delegates are research enthusiasts from USA, Canada, Indonesia, Myanmar, Vietnam, Laos and the different parts of the country.



agayan State University welcomed everyone to "La Guerta", a garden show that features the diverse and distinct niche programs of the different satellite campuses of the University. With the aim of bringing to Tuguegarao what each campus offers, each garden exhibit at La Guerta is a

step inside each campus of the University as it encapsulates the agricultural, agronomic, and metal products offered by CSU Sanchez Mira, CSU Gonzaga, CSU Lal-lo, CSU Piat, CSU Lasam, and CSU Carig.

La Guerta also features the Chocolateria that serves delightful beverages for chocolate lovers right at the comfort of the outdoor breeze. Refreshments include hot cacao, iced cacao, and cacao ala mode made from 100% pure cacao processed by CSU Lasam. CSU Gonzaga's Red Rice Grounds, a healthier alternative to coffee, is also brewed in the Chocolateria. A quick snack was also offered

in the shop where locally made tinupig of Lasam and suman of Sanchez Mira. were showcased The Chocolateria is managed by Hospitality Management majors of CSU Andrews Campus.

The La Guerta and the Chocolateria are found in front of the CSU Hotel. \$\overline{\mathcal{V}}\$-UIO

ICFES CULTURAL SHOW EXHIBITS THE RICH HERITAGE OF FILIPINOS







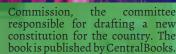
Andrews Convention Center last October 16, 2019.

The participants feasted their eyes on the performances from the CSU Legato Chorale, CSU Baliktanaw Dance Troupe, Cagayan National High School Angklung Ensemble, CSU Rondalla Ensemble, University of St. Louis Tuguegarao'c CCA Dance Troupe, CCA Ensemble, and CCA Street Dancers, and University of Cagayan Valley Chorale. Special



performances were also rendered by the Coro de San Jacinto led by Father Ranhilio C. Aquino, CSU's Vice President for Administration and Finance. The show was directed by Mr. Joel A. Daquiaog, CSU's Director for Culture and the

Fr. Aquino also launched his book entitled, "Thoughts on the Constitution of the Philippines" which was written during his time as part of the Constitutional



This is followed by a Welcome Dinner courtesy of Congressman Jojo "Pulsar" Lara. In his message to the plenary, Congressman Lara congratulated CSU for hosting an International Conference and promised to support all the programs of the University.













TWO NEW FACILITIES OPEN AT CSU ANDREWS

agayan State University -Andrews Campus officially launched two new facilities last October 2, 2019, the Claude Andrews Convention Center and the CSU Hotel. The inauguration was attended by

CHED Commissioner Lilian A. De Las Llagas, CSU University President Urdujah A. Tejada, Tuguegarao City Mayor Jefferson Soriano, and SPUP University President Sister Merceditas Ang, SPC.

The Claude Andrews International Convention Center is now ready to host conferences and was the venue for the International Conference Food and Economic on Security and Environmental

Sustainability (ICFES), which is the first conference that was held in the center. On the other hand, the CSU Hotel is now prepared to accommodate guests and host various events. \$\overline{\pi}\$-UIO



INFOCWS

CSU APARRI FACULTY MEMBERS ARE NOW CERTIFIED MIKROTIK ACADEMY TRAINERS

By: Dr. Billy S. Javier

University Dean, College of Information and Computing Sciences



successfully aving passed the series of examinations in the six-day training on MikroTik Certification Program held last September 23-28, 2019 for Batch 1 and October 21-26, 2019 for Batch 2 respectively at the University of La Sallete, Santiago Philippines, Isabela, City. faculty members of CSU from three campuses are now certified MikroTik Academy trainers. The said faculty

members are Prof. Jhunrey C. Ordioso, Prof. Emerito A. Lanojan, Prof. Leo P. Paliuanan, Dr. Estela L. Dirain, Dr. Verdict L. Gonzales, Dr. Dorothy M. Ayuyang, Prof. Daniel Ursulum, Jr., Grace Calitong, Erick Masirag, Anna Claire Bautista, Arlen Bergante, Yvonne Segurro, Gladys Abaleta, Engr. Fernando Jaminola, Jr., Engr. Danniver Guzman, and Engr. Mark Anthony Abarcaall faculty members of the

College of Information and Computing Sciences of CSU Aparri, Gonzaga, Sanchez Mira, Carig and Lal-lo. As competent passers, they are now recognized as MikroTik Certified Network Associate (MTCNA), MikroTik Certified Routing Engineer (MTCRE), MikroTik Certified User Management Engineer (MTCUME). Apart from being an academy trainer, they can now also serve as Mikrotik consultant for computer network management systems. With these certifications, said campuses can now be recognized as one of MikroTik Academies in the Philippines once a Memorandum of Agreement is forged between MikroTik and Cagayan State University.

With the recognition, the College of Information and Computing Science envisions to integrate the MTCNA courses in the computing curricula for BS Information Technology. Consequently, the campuses will also receive 20 units of RB941 MikroTik Routers and other Networking Laboratory equipment which will be used for instruction in computer network-related

courses granted by the same. More importantly, these faculty members can now train computing students for MTCNA, gearing them to be certified as internationally recognized network associates.

Organized by the Philippine Society of Information Technology Educators Inc. (PSITE) Cagayan Valley, the nation's largest IT professional organization, the MikroTik Certification Program was in collaboration with the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) - Region 02 and in partnership with the University of La Sallete in Santiago City. Participants to the training programs were Information Technology and Engineering faculty members from the different public and private higher education institutions in Region 2 and IT private practitioners. Mikrotīkls, SIA known internationally as Mikrotik, is a Latvian company founded in 1996 to develop computer networking equipment and software for Internet connectivity in most of the countries around the world.

UNIVERSITY MIS OFFICE INITIATES TRAINING WORKSHOP ON CAMPUS WEBSITES By: Arlene D. Talosa

Campus Information Officer, CSU Aparri

he Management Information System (MIS) coordinators and Information Technology Experts from the eight satellite campuses of the University joined together on September 13, 2019 at the conference hall of CSU Andrews for the training workshop on Campus Website vis-à-vis Freedom of Information and Data Privacy Act.

The said training-workshop was spearheaded by the University Management Information System Director, Engr. Richard Ayuyang. The training served as an avenue to share intellectual suggestions

and recommendations for the improvement of the version 1.0 of the developing website which will be the reflection of the University's transparency and integrity as yardsticks for government performance.

Each of the MIS coordinators with their IT experts worked on their campus websites as part of the challenge of the present administration to move to paperless transactions through e-data archiving.

In his lecture, Dr. Ayuyang announced that CSU is the first SUC agency that boarded with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Philippines in www.foi.

gov.ph. The FOI Program is the government's response to call for transparency and full public disclosure of information. Enabled via Executive Order No. 2 of 2016, FOI is a government mechanism which allows people to request any information about government transactions and operations.



CSU STUDENTS DOMINATE 1ST CEZA FLAIR BARTENDING TILT

By: Jenerwin Columna
Campus Information Officer, CSU Lal-lo

The College of Hospitality
Management students of
Cagayan State University
proved that the institution is a
producer of skilled and competitive hoteliers in the province
after dominating the first ever
Cagayan Economic Zone Authority (CEZA) Flair Bartending

Competition last October 18, 2019.

Three among the participants of Cagayan State University secured the top three places to edge out participants from University of Saint Louis Tuguegarao and the International School of Asia and

the Pacific.

Adjudged as Best Flair Bartender in the competition, CSU-Andrews' Ace J-Mar Christian Taccad was declared champion while Mark Querobin Real of Lal-lo Campus was adjudged first runner-up after receiving the Best Original

Cocktail Mix award. Mark Angelo Bautista of Andrews secured the third spot.

Taccad, Real and Bautista received Php30,000, Php15,000 and Php7,500 as cash prizes, respectively.

CSU CARIG celebrates 10 SARYS

By: Jaya Ramos & Glennie Rose Liwanag

The CSU Promethean







nited with the goal to pay tribute to the strong alumni of the Cagayan State University Carig Campus, it recently commemorated its 10th founding anniversary last September 16, 2019.

The Carig Campus Alumni Association Incorporation in partnership with the CSU Carig Administration, celebrated the occasion as employees and students gathered to wave the vibrant team colors of the different departments of the school. Cheers of pride and joy filled the Red Eagle Gymnasium as they welcomed the guests and visitors with a dance number from the campus' students.

Aside from the welcome dance, Campus Administration and Finance Head Engr. Roger

F. Rumpon cordially welcomed the celebrations' guests with a message. "If caring is all you need, come to CSU Carig"; this is highlighted by Rumpon, as he emphasizes this year's anniversary theme: 10 CSU Caring Years. He exclaimed that "we build because we care" by featuring CSU products that are useful to the citizens of the society.

The event is also graced by Engr. Fernando M. Jaminola, this is on behalf of Cagayan 3rd District Cong. Joseph Lara, where he foregrounded plans for the next CSU milestones that shall be trekked. Among these blueprints is the presumed opening by next school year of a CSU Extension at Iraga, Solana in a 2.8-hectare property. To charge the students with passion for education, the CSU alumnus

quoted, "It takes a whole village to educate a child", encouraging collaboration of parents, administration, and especially the students, by filling in one another's lack, to effectively deliver educational needs.

The celebration also features an audio visual presentation entitled; "The Red Eagle's Flight from then to ten & beyond." In the presentation, college deans raced their distinguishable excellence in skills and innovation in their specific fields of expertise. The presented taglines of the different deans pivoted on prioritizing and valuing excellence, commitment, competence, assertiveness, and passion. These values are not only expressed in the campus boundaries but also extended to the partner communities of CSU Carig. The presentation

showcases the CSU Carigans as high flyers but humbled fighters. CSÚ President Urdujah A. Tejada identified the Carigan spirit as being high flyers, this is equated to the red eagle symbol of the campus as it is proudly recognized for its top caliber alumni and the successful feat of the Carigans in topping professional examinations such as physical, veterinary, electrical engineering engineering licensure examinations. "We have more to achieve. The realization of our vision and mission is much attainable with collaboration," she concludes her message.

Meanwhile, the celebration was also marked with the official opening of "The Coffee Table Book" pages, "A Journey of CSU-Carig, 2009-2019".

CSU PIAT'S RDE CONVERGES WITH GOV'T AGENCIES FOR A DAIRY EXTENSION PROJECT

By: Joselina A. Azucena Campus Information Officer, CSU Piat



The extension arm of CSU-Piat through the CSU Dairy Cattle and Research Center strengthened its partnership with agencies to maximize the limited resources and harmonize the extension efforts to increase and sustain the supply of milk in the Philippines through a three-year extension project entitled, "Pioneering Dairy Products Business Hub In Cagayan: Developing A Dairy Market Chain through Community Development".

The campus through the project leaders, Prof. Ju-Mark R. Pagaduan, Campus Research Development and Extension Coordinator and Prof. Macluven T. Gonzales, Campus Knowledge Technology Management Coordinator, with the help of the Local Government Unit of Rizal,

Cagayan, Philippine Carabao Center (PCC), and National Dairy Authority (NDA), a Rizal Livestock Raisers Association (RLRA) with 55 members was organized. The RLRA received a series of capability building and enhancement trainings such as seminars on Breeding, Breeding Management, and Artificial Insemination.

The First Phase of the project, where eight trainings were prepared for the livestock members, has been completed. The second phase of the project will focus on the clustering of the members into five groups: The Technical Working Group, Forage Production and Processing Group, Milk Collection Group, Milk Processing Group, Marketing windows group as a way to

concentrate on different production strategies in dairy processing.

"This extension project harmonizes the effort of government organizations involved in dairy production and processing." Prof. Pagaduan said.

Accordingly, aside from their involvement in the series of trainings provided to the livestock raisers, PCC provided four bulls through its Carabaobased Enterprise Development Program to be used in cross breeding of existing native carabaos and NDA is validating the organization's capability for them to avail after training support from their PALIT Baka Scheme Program.

Professor Pagaduan also said that CSU has assisted the RLRA in crafting their constitution and by-laws, and other pertinent documents needed by Department of Labor and Employment for them to become a registered group which qualifies them to receive other form of government programs and projects.

Moreover, the association was also linked to the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation (PCIC) and it is now insured including the members' animals.

Meanwhile, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between LGU Rizal, RLRA and CSU was forged to strengthen the partnership and collaboration effort to ensure the success and sustainability of the project.

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CSU SANCHEZ MIRA HOSTS AACCUP ACCREDITATION SURVEY VISIT

By: Elizabeth Bautista Campus Information Officer, CSU Sanchez Mira

agayan State University-Sanchez Mira (CSU-SM) underwent a level 2 Accreditation Survey Visit by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities of the Philippines (AACCUP) last October 7 to 12, 2019.

Seven undergraduate programs include Bachelor of Elementary Education, Bachelor of Secondary Education, Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Bachelor of Science in Criminology, Bachelor

of Science in Hospitality Management underwent 2nd survey visit, while the Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology had its preliminary survey.

had its preliminary survey.

The AACCUP Survey team was headed by Dr. Noel B. Begnalen of Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology (ASIST) who also served as the Overall Coordinator, and was assisted by Dr. Evelyn D. Taban of Nueva Vizcaya State University (NVSU).

Accreditation activities

started on October 6 where the accreditors were fetched and billeted at Baggak Sonz Hotel followed by an initial meeting of teams and the PPP Review. An opening program was conducted on October 7 at CSU-SM Conference Hall which was attended by the accreditation task force of the campuses of Lallo, Lasam, Piat and Sanchez Mira, the same CSU systems that underwent undergraduate programs accreditation. Dr. Narcitas B. Ouano, the Campus

Executive Officer welcomed the accreditors. Meanwhile, Dr. Urdujah A. Tejada, the University President, highlighted the event by giving an inspiring message to the CSU community.

The survey visit was closed through an Exit Conference where the accreditation left remarks on the strengths and recommendations for the accredited programs of each of the campuses that were surveyed by the accreditors.

CSU AND LGU APARRI FORGES TIES FOR BIO-ETHANOL PROJECT

Memorandum of Agreement was signed between the Cagayan State University through University President Urdujah A. Tejada and the Local Government Unit of Aparri through Municipal Mayor Bryan Dale G. Chan at the Aparri Municipal Hall last September 5, 2019.

The MOA solidifies the collaboration between the two parties for the project entitled, "Establishment, Restoration, Maintenance, and Protection of Nipa Stands for Bio-ethanol Production and Climate Change Mitigation" which makes the barangays of

Linao, Nagbaggan, and Bisago of Aparri the beneficiaries of the foundation and rehabilitation of a 60-hectare nipa mangrove in the community

the community.

The different partner state universities, who are also implementing the project in their respective regions, were also in attendance to the event as part of the assembly of all implementing educational institutions. The representatives of the different SUCs also had an update meeting on the accomplishments of each SUCs on their nipa planting efforts and attended a Training on Nipa Productivity Assessment last

September 4, 2019.

MMSU President
Shirley C. Agrupis commended
CSU's accomplishments
presented through a status
report by Dr. Vincent Palor.
CSU's Nipa Project is being led
by CSU Gonzaga CEO Froilan A.
Pacris Ir

Pacris, Jr.

The other seven SUCs that are part of the mobilization of the project include Mariano Marcos State University, Aklan State University, University of Antique, Central Luzon State University, Marinduque State College, Pangasinan State University and Western Philippines University.





AGAIN, CSU WINS BIG INTERNATIONAL JOURNALISM TILT



agayan State University once again proved its excellence and quality in campus journalism as The CSU Communicator, official student publication of CSU Andrews, reaped awards in different categories during the OSSEI National Training Workshop on Campus Journalism held at Crown Legacy Hotel, Baguio City on September 26-28, 2019.

The CSU Communicator's published articles garnered the following recognition:

1st Place, Best Published Editorial Cartoon - Free Education

1st Place, Best Published News Article - Sexual Harassment, We have cases in CSU–Tejada by Erma Joy J. Diciano

1st Place, Best Published Column Article - I almost said 'Yes to Death Penalty' by Joshua G. Balabbo

2nd Place, Best Published Feature Article - When Farmers are the Ones Hungry by Julius M. Catulin

2nd Place, Best Publication Design - Magazine

3rd Place, Best Published Photo News Article - Call for Justice

3rd Place, Best Published Sports Article - Waves of hope: The CSU Andrews swimming dream by Christian L. Dulin

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