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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>CAPABILITY ENHANCEMENT FOR FARMERS: TRAINING ON SYSTEM OF RICE INTENSIFICATION (SRI)</p> <p>The Department of Agriculture, its attached agencies, and the Local Government Units (LGUs) continue to pursue its mandate to capacitate its clients and the rice farmers. This puts effort into finding sustainable agricultural practices that can lead to higher productivity, optimum use of capital, labor, less input cost and less requirement of water. SRI harmonizes the elements of soil, water, light and plant which allows the plants to achieve their full potential.</p> <p>The System of Rice Intensification is an agro-ecological methodology for increasing the productivity of irrigated rice by changing the management of plants, soil, water and nutrients. This is based on the cropping principles of significantly reducing plant population, improving soil conditions and irrigation methods for root and plant development, and improving plant establishment methods. With this holistic value chain approach the farmers are apt to produce high quality, safe, affordable and healthy organic rice while protecting, conserving and restoring biodiversity in the farm ecosystem at the same time positively benefitting the farmers.</p> <p>Moreover, SRI is one avenue of encouraging participation of different rice farmers, addressing problems and identifying needs on rice farming. The training was conducted on November 30, 2021 to December 2, 2021 at Tabuk City, Kalinga with 15 farmers as participants.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"Good day everyone, this is my second time attending on SRI. The first time I tried SRI, I did not follow all the recommendations. The seedlings were 20 days old and we transplanted 3 seedlings per hill which is not the recommended seedling rate for SRI. This time, I will try to apply all the recommendations of this SRI and see if its works because if it does, this will be a great help for us farmer."</i> Johnny Igo, Farmer</p> <p><i>"Good morning to all. This is also my second time to attend a training on SRI and the first time I also tried applying this technology, I failed. But I can say that this is a good technology because the first time I tried, I was able to produce a reasonable harvest. This time, I will try again, following all the recommendations and proper management practices to show that this technology works."</i> Edson Asuncion, Farmer</p> |





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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>ONLINE TRAINING ON DATA PROCESSING OF GEO-TAGGED COFFEE AREAS USING QGIS AND GPS FOR AEWs OF CAR (PHASE 2)</p> <p>The Development of Agriculture sector faces the challenges of climate change, resource constraints and the increase in demand for agriculture produce. The development of Geo Spatial Technologies such as Geographic Information System (GIS), Remote Sensing (RS) and the Global Positioning System (GPS) are excellent tools in agriculture and in another related field. According to Tungpalan (2005), GIS and GPS are excellent tools in natural resources conservation and environmental protection.</p> <p>Simple applications of these technologies involve determining the location, plotting maps or examining the distribution of soil types in relation to yield and productivity. More complex applications involve analytical capabilities of GIS and RS software that includes vegetation classification for predicting crop yield or environmental impacts, modeling of surface water drainage patterns, etc. One important characteristic of GIS is that it stores, analyses and displays spatial and non-spatial data (Bantayan, 2004 as cited by Tungpalan, 2005).</p> <p>Coffee is the world's favorite drink and it is among the priority commodities in all the provinces of CAR under the High Value Crops Development Program (HVCDP). It is also a part of the National Greening Program of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).</p> <p>Geotagging the existing coffee trees in the different municipalities and provinces would provide and ensure correct and location-specific information while geo-mapping provides visual representation of the geographical location of geo-tagged coffee trees. This is among the most requested training by the AEWs during the previous Consultations and on their Training Need Surveys. As per agreement during 2018, the trained AEWs will be provided with gadgets by the DA-RFO CAR for use in geotagging Coffee trees in their respective municipalities. After which, training on data processing and mapping will again be conducted, as Phase 2. The training was participated by 29 AEWs and 1 ATI Staff on November 8-12, 2021 at 4H Conference Hall, ATI-CAR, La Trinidad, Benguet</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"The manual and the recorded videos were really helpful for coping up with the lessons especially for us whose internet connection is very slow. Thank you for the imparted knowledge. Speakers were very knowledgeable and we can see their efforts but maybe for the next training like this if it will be allowed that we will stay in the same area or better yet, face to face to easily help one another."</i> Dabert L. Tayaban, MAO-Asipulo</p> <p><i>"This is a very nice training, very relevant in our work as AEWs. Thank you so much for the opportunity to be part of it. This is my first time attending. The RPs and TMTs made this kind of training lively, happy and exciting. Thank you, ATI, and BSU."</i> William W. Gonayon Jr., OCAS-Tabuk City</p> |



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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>TRAINING ON GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES (GAP) ON FRUITS AND VEGETABLES</p> <p>Two batches of training were undertaken on the municipality of Atok. Details were:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="555 440 1784 576"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Venue</th> <th>Date</th> <th>Number of Pax</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Batch 1</td> <td>Olis, Paoay, Atok, Benguet</td> <td>December 2-3</td> <td>27 farmers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Batch 2</td> <td>Toludan, Cattubo, Atok, Benguet</td> <td>December 6-7</td> <td>34 farmers</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Generally, the activity was intended to enhance the knowledge and skills of the participants on the principles and goals of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP). Specifically, it sought to let the participants understand what is Good Agricultural Practices; appreciate GAP certification process; and encouraged farmers to apply for GAP certification.</p> <p>Topics discussed were FPA regulations and chemical waste management, Insecticide Toxicology -Insecticide Resistance Management, GAP on Fruits and Vegetables Organic Agriculture, and Vegetable Production GAP on Coffee.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"I have learned about Food Safety, SS in farming, proper handling and usage of fertilizer and pesticide and basic first aid. What was discussed about Good Agricultural Practices can be applied in our farm but it might take several months or it could take years for us to complete the requirements. We will start complying on the application of recommended pesticides, organizing our farm tools and recording of our inputs and works." Ms. Diana E. Pingi, Farmer, Olis, Paoay, Atok, Benguet</i></p> <p><i>"I learned from this training how to pack vegetables hygienically and also the proper application of chemicals. Farm tools must be separate from chemicals and PPEs must be worn when spraying chemicals. For the first aid, I learned how to use the bandage and how to rescue and carry a person and what to do if a person drunk a liquid chemical/poison. GAP is really important and needs to be disseminated to fellow farmers." Mr. Carlito A. Maximo, Farmer, Tulodan, Cattubo, Atok, Benguet</i></p> <p><i>"I've learned to always read the label and always follow the dosage of pesticides. The tools must be organized and pesticides must be labeled. We will be practicing GAP slowly to go away from the bad farming practices that we do." Ms. Remelita P. Balao, Farmer, Olis, Paoay, Atok, Benguet</i></p> | | Venue | Date | Number of Pax | Batch 1 | Olis, Paoay, Atok, Benguet | December 2-3 | 27 farmers | Batch 2 | Toludan, Cattubo, Atok, Benguet | December 6-7 | 34 farmers |
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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>FARMERS FIELD SCHOOL FOR HEIRLOOM RICE IN SUPPORT TO THE FAO PROJECT ENTITLED "DYNAMIC CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF AGROBIODIVERSITY IN TRADITIONAL AGRO-ECOSYSTEMS OF THE PHILIPPINES (BATCH 3 - 5)</p> <p>Traditional rice is traded for other commodities. More recently, some indigenous rice varieties of the Cordillera are grown in large areas to meet the growing demand for traditional and native staples in the international market. The Revitalize Indigenous Cordilleran Entrepreneurs (RICE) was able to export 7 tons of Tinawon native rice from Ifugao and Unoy native rice from Kalinga to the United States (Cariño, 2008). The Department of Agriculture through the Local Government Units had selected two traditional rice varieties from several provinces. These varieties have a market in the US because they are "heirloom" varieties and their pigmented grains are believed to possess antioxidant properties.</p> <p>The training intervention is in support of the Agricultural Training Institute and Food and Agriculture Organization project in the promotion of agricultural biodiversity sustainability in the locality and empower our farmers in preserving their good values and culture in rice production. The table below presents the details of Farmers Field School. Three (3) batches were conducted under the Rice Program.</p> <p><i>Table 1. Details of Farmers Field School activities conducted</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="555 874 2347 1235"> <thead> <tr> <th>TITLE</th> <th>DATE</th> <th>NO. OF PAX</th> <th>VENUE</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="4">RICE PROGRAM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Farmers Field School for Heirloom Rice in Support to the FAO Project (Batch 3)</td> <td>December 17, 2020- November 15, 2021</td> <td>20</td> <td>Mompola, Hingyon, Ifugao</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Farmers Field School for Heirloom Rice in Support to the FAO Project (Batch 4)</td> <td>December 18, 2020- November 15, 2021</td> <td>20</td> <td>Cababuyan, Hingyon, Ifugao</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Farmers Field School for Heirloom Rice in Support to the FAO Project (Batch 5)</td> <td>December 19, 2020- November 15, 2021</td> <td>20</td> <td>Poblacion, Hingyon, Ifugao</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | TITLE | DATE | NO. OF PAX | VENUE | RICE PROGRAM | | | | Farmers Field School for Heirloom Rice in Support to the FAO Project (Batch 3) | December 17, 2020- November 15, 2021 | 20 | Mompola, Hingyon, Ifugao | Farmers Field School for Heirloom Rice in Support to the FAO Project (Batch 4) | December 18, 2020- November 15, 2021 | 20 | Cababuyan, Hingyon, Ifugao | Farmers Field School for Heirloom Rice in Support to the FAO Project (Batch 5) | December 19, 2020- November 15, 2021 | 20 | Poblacion, Hingyon, Ifugao |
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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>Ms. Martha N. Urbano, Hingyon, Ifugao Municipal Agriculturist and Mr. Frederick B. Caclini, Hingyon, Ifugao Agricultural Technologist served as resource person. Some of the learnings written by the participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I learned how to select the best seeds from the field. • I have learned the proper conduct of land preparation from weeding, cleaning the buffer zones, dikes and how to repair dikes and ditches. • In this training, I learned that transplanting of seedlings must be well-organized on the number of seedlings per hill. • I am reminded to apply other suggestions from other participants' experiences and teaching. • I learned about heirloom rice production and management. • I learned to be aware of the harm and beneficial insects that are lining in our rice fields. Also, we must be aware on how to treat and control such insects • We have learned the Palaycheck system. • We learned that we must be self-disciplined in doing the natural ways of farming. <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"I was able to learn the 9 KEYCHECKS of the PALAYCHECK system. From seed selection, land preparation, practice synchronous planting, sufficient number of seedlings, nutrient management, pest management, harvesting and postharvest management. I have learned the importance of practicing synchronous planting and selection of healthy seedlings for transplanting. Additionally, I learned how to manage pests and how to conduct proper postharvest management."</i> Carmen Buyagawan, Farmer, Anao, Hingyon, Ifugao</p> <p><i>"I was able to learn the rice farming activities such as pest management and prevention, nutrient management, weed management and crop production. We must strictly practice synchronous planting in order to manage pest and diseases of rice."</i> Florence Mamao, Farmer, Cababuyan, Hingyon, Ifugao</p> <p><i>"I appreciated this training because I was reminded of the theories "know how" of rice production and also the knowledge and skills imparted to us about natural farming. I am also encouraged to use compost as fertilizers. This training also teaches us how to manage pests. We also conduct insect identification on the farm."</i> Zenaida A. Pugong, Farmer, Hingyon, Ifugao</p> |



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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>Topics includes: Orientation of FFS, The PNS for GAP, Basic Record Keeping, GAP Cultural Management Practices, Lecture/Demo: Bio-concoctions, Lecture/Demo: Vermi-composting/Mokusako, Coventional and GAP Pratices, Integrated Pest and Diseases Management/IPM, Farm Business Entrepreneurship, Marketing and Market Promotions, Leadership & Organizational Management, Identification of Participatory Techno Demo Research and Cooperators to implement GAP and conventional, Overview of AEC, Food Safety Hazards and Control System, Edible Landscaping/Urban Gardening, Compost and Composting, SALT/Palayamanan, Lecture/Demo: Bio-inputs (sprays), Soil and Soil Fertility Management and Technologies, Harvesting and Postharvest Practices, Appropriate product packaging and labelling, Farm Planning and Crop Production Programming, Companion Crops, Basic or Simple Record Keeping.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"First of all, I would like to express my great thanks to ATI Family for the program and to LGU for their support. We learned lots during the series of lecture most especially about GAP as what I heard to our facilitator, we PACEFA org were the first to implement the program here in Pasil, we learned what is workers health safety which is very important to us farmer likewise with safety food from farm to fork, we also learned records keeping its very important."</i></p> <p><i>"I learned about composting, the importance of farm record keeping and the different kinds of concoctions. I can also share it with those who don't know it yet. Even if it's pandemic, we should not stop learning. With these training we can be "plantita" or "plantito", wherein we can earn money."</i> Ms. Mercy A. Colilin</p> <p><i>"Through this training, I learned how to do record keeping, companion planting, do designs in planting, make compost and concoction. I'm thankful that there is a training like this for us to plant vegetables here in our Barangay. We learned how to make an organic fertilizer which eliminates the need to buy chemical sprays that can terminate the natural nutrient of soil and the beneficial insects."</i> Ms. Lolita C. Lawig</p> |



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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>SKILLS TRAINING COURSE ON THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CORN MACHINERIES</p> <p>The state of Philippine agricultural mechanization had been characterized by very low mechanization levels and sluggish growth. In 2016, Dela Cruz and Bobier determined the available farm power to be 2.31 hp/ha for rice and corn. As embodied in Philippine laws, the Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act (AFMA) of 1997 and Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization (AFMech) Law of 2012, the country needs to accelerate agricultural mechanization as a means to increase farm income and modernize agriculture. To achieve these goals, the Department of Agriculture (DA) provided to unify research and development (R&D) efforts and strengthen technology transfer to farmers and extension workers, specifically the Agricultural and Biosystems Engineer. In order to achieve this objective, the DA provided corn machineries to our farmers through the mechanization program toward these objectives, the conduct of capability building for our AEWs and program implementers will help increase our level and adoption of mechanization in corn industry and contribute to our goals of increasing production and income.</p> <p>There were 20 participants in this training conducted on December 7-9, 2021 at TAMPCO Inn and Training Center, Tabuk City, Kalunga. This training was held to let the participants be able to demonstrate technical skills on the operation and maintenance of selected corn machineries and postharvest facilities. Topics discussed included <i>Land Preparation; Harvesting and Shelling, Plant Establishment; Drying and Milling including Dry Run Operation.</i></p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"In this training, I have learned the basic parts and operation of Agricultural Machineries from land preparation to post harvest. As an AEW, this training helped me enhance my skills about the machineries and rest assured that the skills and knowledge gained will be applied during extension visits, distribution of machineries and/or during inspections."</i> Ms. Ayne Hienrich Elveña, AEW, LGU-Rizal</p> <p><i>"Thank you again for the privilege to attend this training because my knowledge about the machinery was enhanced and I have grasped additional knowledge and skills to be applied on my farm and will be shared also to other farmers. I have learned the different parts of combine harvester, four-wheel drive tractor, mechanical dryer and flatbed dryer. Not only their parts but also their functions and the do's and don'ts when use and not in use. Moreover, the best experience for me was the hands-on activity where we operated the machines by ourselves. The hands-on activity taught me the proper operation and maintenance of the machineries to avoid malfunctions and accidents."</i> Mr. Bobby B. Bulayang, President, Butigue Kapamilya Farmers Association Inc.</p> |





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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>TRAINING ON THE FARMER-SCIENTISTS TRAINING PROGRAM (FSTP): THE CORN-BASED FARMER-SCIENTISTS RDE TRAINING PROGRAM, PHASE I FOR TABUK CITY, KALINGA</p> <p>The Farmer-Scientists RDE Training Program (FSTP) has been piloted in various upland barangays in the provinces of Cebu, Bohol, Siquijor, Negros Oriental, Compostela Valley and Mindoro Occidental. It has clearly demonstrated that technical empowerment to poor farmers can improve their quality of life beyond poverty level. The trained farmer-scientists have shown great improvements in corn production utilizing improved technologies such as the use of high yielding corn varieties, the application of organic fertilizers like Bio-N, Detasseling for IPM and others. In Cebu, the farmers have increased their corn harvest from 0.50 ton/ha before the training to 4 – 6 tons/ha after the training which gave them surplus corn for sale and thus increased their income. Farmers have also learned that intercropping corn with mungo, peanuts, okra, sweet potato and other crops can provide them with more sources of income making farming a business enterprise.</p> <p>As the program moves to expand nationwide by virtue of the Executive Order No. 710, it is necessary to provide local governments and other agencies involved in FSTP with the working knowledge of the program. Thus, the Center conducted the FSTP Phase I for the province of Kalinga. It started on July 16 and the graduation was conducted on December 10, 2021. This training was actively participated in by 48 farmers.</p> <p>For FSTP-Phase I, the participants established direct contact with agricultural scientists and to develop their technical and scientific capabilities to grow corn, rice, vegetables, and other crops utilizing appropriate farming technologies, especially those in the upland communities. It also aims to strengthen the agricultural research and extension capabilities of local government units, partner agencies, and state colleges and universities so they can render better services in their areas of responsibility.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>Ms. Milagros Bangibang, group leader, expressed her gratitude to all the training management team for conducting the FSTP in their barangay. She mentioned that this activity was very challenging compared to other training they attended since it involves scientific farming research. Also, she stated that most of the farmers of the barangay are practicing monocropping but through the FSTP, experimental result, she learned that corn can be planted/intercropped with legumes which leads to greater yield.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Eusebio Wagowag, FSTP President, said that attending and learning season long FSTP helped them to become better decision-makers. He explained that through the FSTP experimental fertilizer trial, he stated that proper timing of fertilizer application increases yields, reduces nutrient losses, and prevents damage.</i></p> <p><i>Grace Singayan, encourages participants to continue and replicate in their own farms what they had learned from FSTP Phase I. She said that cooperation is necessary in order to learn and share useful knowledge to other farmers.</i></p> |



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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>TRAINING IN SUPPORT TO COMMUNITY URBAN GARDEN ESTABLISHMENT AND MANAGEMENT FOR 2021</p> <p>The newly established partner organizations this 2021 have limited knowledge and exposure on edible landscaping and lay-outing, composting, record keeping, organic farming systems, GAP and diversified farming technologies. Thus, this training in support to them was undertaken on November 29-30. It was conducted in DA-ATI-CAR, BSU Compd., La Trinidad, Benguet with 22 farmers from Baguio City and Benguet.</p> <p>Learnings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Participants are encouraged to apply all the learnings from the training in their individual urban garden and especially in the establishment of their community urban gardens. ✓ They were all provided with starter kit that includes 10 kgs compost, 4 types of seeds, 200 pcs PEPs, and 1 mini shovel for individual use. All these interventions provided will be monitored by the ATI team. ✓ They were encouraged to practice organic agriculture farming system since they are located in a highly populated areas with senior citizens and children. ✓ To encourage their children to join in the various activities of garden. <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"On behalf of Baengan Planters Association, we would like to express our gratitude to all of you and to Ma'am Cristine for visiting our farm, even if it's too far. We are thankful for this training because we learned a lot not only about urban gardening, but also about revisiting our values. Thank you also to may co-participants because we learned from each other. As you said, this training is just the beginning, so we hope there will be more field trainings in the future. We also enjoyed the food and we the gifts from our hands-on activity on natural inputs to bring home. Thank you very much." Ms. Veronica B. Mat-an, President, Baengan Planters Association</i></p> <p><i>"Thank you for your continuous support to our association. We hope there will be more organizations to join us. Thank you for the laugh-filled training. That's all, thank you." Mr. Michael P. Chiday, President, Bekes Ta-ang Farmers' Organization, Inc.</i></p> <p><i>"To the resource speakers, staff and those who prepared our food, thank you very much. We are new members of OFH-Tublay Chapter and also new to organic farming. It's very challenging yet fulfilling. Thank you for this training on Urban Gardening because we learned a lot. Even if we'd been practicing concoctions, we learned new things like the FAA and Calcium Concentrate. We are all excited to learn new things. Thank you, not only are our minds full, but also our stomachs. We are thankful to all of you." Ms. Adelaine G. Dormeindo, Business Manager, Our Farmers' Haven- Tublay Chapter</i></p> |





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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>EDIBLE LANDSCAPING IN READINESS TO FARM TOURISM FOR OUR FARMERS' HAVEN FEDERATION IN BENGUET PROVINCE</p> <p>Vegetable farms abound in the province of Benguet. Farming is one of the main livelihoods of the residents in this mountainous area. Benguet also is becoming a tourism site for many who wants to smell the freshness of the air and see the majestic beauties of the mountains. Home-based eco farms also began sprouting to address this tourism need. According to some owners, it helps financially in their daily needs. In preparation for this so-called boom of eco-tourism in the region, and also to show care and preservation of our community and our ecological systems, the OFH organic farmers proposed this training as they want to learn how to prepare for their farms to embrace this new way of augmenting their income and make their farms more in line with this business. It is therefore the goal of this proposal that these farmers and families of OFH Federation Inc. will be well equipped with knowledge and technologies to make ready of their small farms for this so-called farm tourism.</p> <p>Specifically, this training sought to explain the concepts and principle of edible landscaping; know the different plants and vegetables that can be used in edible landscaping; prepare a doable plan for implementation; apply concepts learned; and learn from other farming site techniques and implementation strategies for sustainability of the project.</p> <p>The activity was conducted on December 9-10 in San Jose Parish Compound, Poblacion, La Trinidad, Benguet. It was attended by 37 participants.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"First, I am thankful to join this training because it's very crucial and very important for all of us. Actually, I learned a lot in this training especially for our marketing practices on the postharvest which is related to all of us. As a farmer's daughter, I'm not new in farming, actually I tried growing the 'siling labuyo', and I know how hard it is for us farmers to grow crops especially on organic farming. On the post-harvest presentation, I really appreciate a lot especially on the handling of our produce, that it should be neat and clean before going to the table of our clients/customers. On Our Farmers Haven, it is good if there are teachings/ trainings about packaging, we should request it soon so that we can apply it to our produce. I know this is very important to all of us, and we are thankful to those who conducted this training. Personally, I myself, I really appreciated this training, thank you very much."</i> - Ms. Anie D. Caga, Agriculturist- Our Farmers Haven Fed. Inc.</p> <p><i>"Good afternoon to everybody, I'm very thankful because I am a member of 4p's and they ordered us to landscape an area but they did not show/teach us on how to landscape and what I know about landscape is just to arrange the plants but what is important is that it should not be mono but with design and different colors. Actually, I have undergone different trainings since 2014 and I am thankful that we have this training, its additional knowledge to me about landscaping. And so last night, I had a dream that I brought with me my children and we attended this training. I am very thankful to you, facilitators that you've been blessed that you've been a blessing to us that you conducted this training to us. This is what we can say on behalf of the OFH-Buguias Chapter, thank you very much."</i> Ms. Florentina T. Toda, Organic Farmer, Chapter President-OFH Buguias chapter</p> |





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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Training | <p>FARMER-SCIENTISTS TRAINING PROGRAM (FSTP) Phase II Launching</p> <p>After the graduation program of the FSTP Phase 1, the graduates and their assisting AEWs namely Ms. Emma Fermin and Ms. Rey-an Gallamoy convened for the launching of the FSTP Phase 2. Aside from Ms. Fermin and Ms. Gallamoy, the team from the Tabuk City Office for City Agriculture Services led by their City Agriculturist Mr. Nobleto Sagun were also present.</p> <p>The first part of the program was an overview and an orientation of the FSTP Phase II by Mr. Adrian Chris Velasco of the ATI-CAR. The orientation and overview highlighted the connection between the FSTP first and second phases, and what is to be expected from the program and from the participants.</p> <p>The second part of the launching was an initial planning session facilitated by Ms. Gallamoy and Ms. Fermin. The Tabuk City OCAS team proposed to the participants a grouping system based on the contiguity of their farms to facilitate data gathering, recording, monitoring and sharing of experiences among the participants and their assisting AEWs. Some issues resolved during the activity was the inclusion of sloping corn production areas. The OCAS team set another meeting to finalize the details and arrangements for the FSTP Phase 2 on December 17, 2021.</p> |
| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Other AF | <p>RCEF INTER-AGENCY MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS</p> <p>In fulfillment of the membership of the country in the World Trade Organization (WTO) allowing free trade of rice and replacing the "Quantitative Restriction" (QR) with tariff, Republic Act 11203 (Rice Liberalization Law) was promulgated. Upon the passage of the law, the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund (RCEF) was crafted to aid local rice farmers amidst the liberalization of the Philippine rice trade. It shall be allotted with Php 10 billion annually for the next six years following its enactment in 2019.</p> <p>As such, being the lead in the training and extension component of the program, ATI-CAR conducted this inter-agency meeting and workshop to harmonize and complement the development of plans and strategies in the implementation of training interventions with its partner agencies. Kalinga LSAs stressed their concern relative to the late approval and distribution of qualification maps (QMAP) which resulted in: unsynchronized FFS sessions with the stage of the rice crop and backing out of already recruited farmer scholars. However, since the approval will be coming from the TESDA-CO director general, TESDA assured that they will raise the concern to the higher-ups.</p> <p>Late dissemination of IATF guidelines was also raised which disrupted programmed FFS supposed activities. With this, the farm schools were encouraged to closely coordinate with their respective LGUs. As practiced by the other farm schools, the others were advised to send formal requests of permission to agencies concerned to push through with the activities (while following minimum public health protocols during the implementation).</p> <p>The meeting-consultation was attended by 20 RCEF stakeholders on December 8, 2021 at J and E Integrated Farm, San Quintin, Alfonso Lista, Ifugao.</p> |



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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Other AF | <p>RCEF-FARM SCHOOL OWNERS CLUSTER MEETING AND CONSULTATION</p> <p>In general, the activity intends to level off with RCEF-FS owners' perceptions on their roles, responsibilities, and contributions in RCEF-RESP implementation. Specifically, the activity aimed to discuss/discern issues and concerns to formulate action points for sustainable RCEF-RESP implementation, encourage sharing of experiences among RCEF-FS owners; and create an effective platform/mechanism for formal feedback among RCEF-RESP stakeholders. This was participated by 2 AEWs, 16 farmers, 1 ATI-CAR staff, and 19 other participants conducted in DA-ATI-RTC II, San Mateo, Isabela on November 25, 2021.</p> <p>Prior to the actual conduct of the activity, the perceived roles, issues and concerns of the farm school owners in the implementation of RCEF-RESP were consolidated through a google form. During the presentation of the responses received, sharing of insights were done to capture elaborations from the collected data. Farm schools who were not able to access the link were encouraged to share their experiences and sentiments to gather collective inputs from all the stakeholders involved. A summary of the responses:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Responses</th> <th>Frequency n=30</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Serve as a trainer/facilitator/supervisor</td> <td>19 (63%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ensure that the new farming technologies/science-based farming methods are effectively cascaded to the farmers to help them increase their yield and lower their production costs.</td> <td>8 (27%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Encourage and motivate farmers to adopt/apply the PalayCheck System.</td> <td>7 (23%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>To serve as a conduit of farmer groups to various government programs or vice versa</td> <td>4 (13%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>To serve as a venue for technical briefing/kiosks of IEC materials.</td> <td>3 (10%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>To contribute in improving local rice production.</td> <td>2 (7%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>To empower the farmer youth sector through involving them in the RCEF Program.</td> <td>2 (7%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Share financial counterpart for procurement of equipment, construction of facilities and other needs of the farm school.</td> <td>1 (3%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>To post-monitor farmer graduates.</td> <td>1 (3%)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The challenges, best practices and recommendations both for admin and technical were also discussed.</p> <p>Impression:</p> <p><i>"(We) I am so grateful to be part of the technical group involved in enhancing the delivery of the Farmers Field School (FFS) of our farmer trainees." Ms. Aurelia E. Panes, Farm Owner, Estepa's Integrated Farm</i></p> | Responses | Frequency n=30 | Serve as a trainer/facilitator/supervisor | 19 (63%) | Ensure that the new farming technologies/science-based farming methods are effectively cascaded to the farmers to help them increase their yield and lower their production costs. | 8 (27%) | Encourage and motivate farmers to adopt/apply the PalayCheck System. | 7 (23%) | To serve as a conduit of farmer groups to various government programs or vice versa | 4 (13%) | To serve as a venue for technical briefing/kiosks of IEC materials. | 3 (10%) | To contribute in improving local rice production. | 2 (7%) | To empower the farmer youth sector through involving them in the RCEF Program. | 2 (7%) | Share financial counterpart for procurement of equipment, construction of facilities and other needs of the farm school. | 1 (3%) | To post-monitor farmer graduates. | 1 (3%) |
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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Other AF | <p>CAR-AFEN EXTENSION FORUM CY2021 <i>"CY2021 Search for Best Extension Projects & Best Extension Practitioner"</i></p> <p>The Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Network (AFEN) is the major partnership mechanism with the purpose of harmonizing the extension services of the various agencies/institutions/organizations with extension function or mandate for a diverse set of clients, both at the national and regional levels. This is to ensure that extension plans, programs and activities are well coordinated and effectively carried out. This is also the forum where all member agencies/institutions/organizations can discuss issues and recommend policies related to the delivery of extension services.</p> <p>At the regional level, the CAR-AFEN Extension Forum that started in 2019 shall serve as a venue for disseminating worthy extension practices, modalities and matured extension research. This forum also served as a venue for recognizing outstanding extension works and practitioners of the various CAR-AFEN member agencies/institutions.</p> <p>Message of DA-CAR Regional Executive Director Cameron P. Odsey</p> <p><i>"This network in Agriculture & Fishery has indeed placed an important role in fostering relationships among its member agencies and institutions including the private sector in harmonizing extension services especially those with extension functions and those that deal with diverse sets of clients. This is similar to the provision of services and subsidies wherein we wanted to harmonize all our efforts and avoid duplications so we'll really address and cover priority needs of our clients, the farmers and the fisher folks. As we continue to move forward and level up our services to develop the agriculture sector in the region, the partnerships and collaborations of all stakeholders both in the public & private sectors and the academe is crucial in complementing each specific efforts and mandates towards a common end goal of achieving a food secure and resilient Philippines with empowered and prosperous farmers and fisher folks. As Henry Ford has said, "Coming together is a beginning. Staying together is progress. Working together is a success. I hope that through this forum, our extension plans, programs and activities will continue to be coordinated well and effectively carried out as we look into the lessons learned and good practices from our previous implementations for replications and possible recommendations to boost the extension services in the Region. At the end of the day, it is an extension service for our farmers. Meanwhile, I would like to congratulate all the participants in the Best Extension Project and Best Extension Practitioner Competition for your willingness to share your efforts and accomplishments so that we can all learn from it. We are all winners in our own ways. Let us then continue to do the good works that we have done, to share it and foster harmonious relationships in the name of development. Thank you to all of you. Naimbag nga agsapa."</i></p> <p>The panel of judges were Mr. Edmund B. Benavidez, Director, SLU-Extension Institute for Small Scale Industries Foundation Inc., Ms. Ruth D. Batani, Consortium Director, Cordillera Consortium for Agriculture, Aquatic and Resources Research and Development (CarCAARRD), and Ms. Christine D. Abellon, Regional Coordinator, Philippine Coffee Advancement and Farm Enterprise (PhilCAFE).</p> |





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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Other AF | <p>NATIONWIDE 7TH ORGANIC AGRICULTURE (OA) MONTH 2021 with the theme "Organikong Pagsasaka, Sagot sa Pandemya"</p> <p>This activity was in line with the nationwide celebration of the Organic Agriculture (OA) Month every November through Proclamation No. 1030, series of 2015 which states that, it is declared policy of the State to further promote, propagate, develop, and practice organic agriculture in the country. The practice of organic agriculture nationwide, as a farming system, is an effective tool for the development, environmental conservation, and health protection of farmers, consumers, as well as the general public. OA enhances global competitiveness and environmental integrity which increases food security and safety and alleviates poverty. Hence, there is a need to focus on the importance of OA to encourage its adoption in the country.</p> <p>The National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP), as the lead agency of OA in the country, support the conduct of the said celebration. This year's theme as approved by the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB), "Organikong Pagsasaka, Sagot sa Pandemya", will address the needs of the people on accessing healthy and safe food especially during this pandemic. This month-long activity will showcase different practices, technology, and products from various OA stakeholders all over the country. Through this celebration, the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) together with the DA-Regional Field Office (DA-RFO) and other DA-Attached Agencies, Farmers Associations, Academe and other entities support the promotion of organic agriculture in the country.</p> <p>ATI conducted various activities such as webinar series and media promotions to increase awareness on the production and consumption of healthy, nutritious and safe food. It started on November 3, 2021 and concluded on November 29, 2021. The cooking demonstration was done last November 11, 2021 at ATI-CAR and was participated by the staff of the said institute. Resource speakers were able to showcase 5 different recipes namely "Blue Ternate Tempura" (appetizer), "Go Organic Hotpot" (main dish), "Sauteed Tomato-Basil with Combo Onions" (side Dish), "Mock Pizza Roll" (snack or dessert) and "Turmeric Milk with Blue Ternate" (beverage). Finished products of the recipes were posted on the Facebook page of the ATI-RTC-CAR.</p> <p>One of the highlights of the OA culminating activity was the launching of the Participatory Guarantee System for the TOFPA Group of Tublay. In this activity various guests were invited from the partnering agencies such as the DA-RFO-CAR and the Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards. Aside from them, members of the Tublay Organic Farming Practitioners Farmers Association, various farmers organizations from CAR and M/PLGU's were also present to witness the launching.</p> |





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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Other AF | <p>CLEAN AND GREEN PROJECT: CC MITIGATION</p> <p>Everybody aims for a clean and beautiful environment. We used to have fresh air to breath, greenish surroundings to see, clean water to taste. Nowadays, tables have turned and what is seen is a big difference from a clean to a polluted environment, may it be from air, water or land. The main cause? Wastes that are improperly thrown everywhere. The government then came up with the Clean and Green Program to address pollution. In August 12, 1993, then President Fidel V. Ramos signed Executive Order No. 118, series of 1993, mandating the active participation of all government agencies nationwide in urban greening through an adopt-a-street/park program. This program requires all government agencies to adopt streets/parks within urban centers and assume the responsibility of greening them by planting the appropriate vegetation, using their respective manpower and other resources.</p> <p>In compliance with the above stated executive order, DA-ATI-CAR has been conducting quarterly Clean and Green Activity within the Center premises and in the ATI Urban Garden Learning Site for Agriculture in lieu of adopting a street/park. 41 ATI-CAR Staff participated in the activity on December 7, 2021 at ATI-CAR, BSU Compound, La Trinidad, Benguet.</p> |



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| Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn) | Other AF | <p>NATIONAL RICE AWARENESS MONTH (NRAM) 2021</p> <p>Proclamation No. 524, s. 2004 declares the month of November as the National Rice Awareness Month (NRAM), which since then has been implemented annually to "heighten public awareness on rice to address issues relating to malnutrition and poverty, and attainment of self-sufficiency". Furthermore, the Memorandum of the Secretary dated August 23, 2021 with subject "Observance of November as National Rice Awareness Month" instructed the Institute to implement relevant initiatives and campaigns.</p> <p>For 2021, with the theme "Be RICEponsibly Healthy", NRAM seeks to raise consciousness among Filipinos on how to consume rice, the healthy way. With the current health emergency, the country is experiencing, it is imperative that sustainable rice production and consumption is campaigned, specifically highlighting responsible rice intake towards a healthy Filipino lifestyle, patronizing locally-produced brown rice, and promoting best practices in rice production vis-à-vis pesticides and fertilizer exposure, among others.</p> <p>As the National Center for Agriculture and Fisheries extension services delivery, the ATI is committed to implement relevant capacity-building interventions in all modalities possible. NRAM started on November 4, 2021 and ended on November 30, 2021.</p> |
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| Modelling Technologies, Best Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Practices and Innovations (Exhibit) | LSA Certification | <p>LEARNING SITES FOR AGRICULTURE</p> <p>Agriculture and Fishery (AF) Extension is central to growth and development of the agriculture and fishery sectors, hence, managing its extension services is crucial in empowering the farmers to have the competitive edge.</p> <p>The Agricultural Training Institute (ATI), as the Extension Support, Education, and Training Services (ESETS) arm of the Department of Agriculture (DA), is responsible for conceptualizing training and extension modalities and innovations. Development and utilization of Learning Site for Agriculture (LSA) is one innovative extension modality conceptualized by ATI where farmers and other participants interested to learn agriculture are brought for actual experience/ hands-on training to complement classroom training. Further, the government through the DA-ATI, has funds allocated for interventions through its modality, the LSA, covering its establishment and continuous development support.</p> <p>LSA Establishment: This month, 3 LSAs were established under Corn Program and 2 LSAs under OA Program:</p> <p>Under Corn Program</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reign Grace Farm Owned by Mr. Ike L. Milad located in Posnaan, Aguineldo, Ifugao. The farm has been operating for several years applying the Integrated Farming System with corn as the major crop grown, banana, lowland vegetables, fruit trees, livestock and fishery production being the secondary commodities 2. Artemis Farm Owned by Mr. Samuel D. Bakiran located in Calaccad, Tabuk City, Kalinga. As a brief history of the farm, he started tilling a piece of land for only 0.3 hectares planted with corn and vegetables. At present, he is cultivating an area of 0.70 hectare devoted to corn production and the rest are devoted to vegetable, banana, and coffee production enterprises. He also has an area for tilapia production, poultry and duck's backyard production. 3. 3J Farm Owned by Mr. Joey C. Laureta located in Annipan, Flora, Apayao <p>Under OA Program</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sanagi Agri-Tourism Farm The owner Mr. Shawnie Dhale Bitso learned his basic skills in mushroom farming from his parents. He started to have an interest in farming when he visited Anaem Farm, an ATI-CAR certified learning site in Baw-ek, Taloy Sur, Tuba. He realized that farming is a promising industry which kept his momentum and eventually influenced his fellow young farmers. 2. 4L Integrated Farm This integrated farm is owned by Ms. Ursula Sacley located in Tadayan, Pudong, Kapangan, Benguet. With the indigenous materials built up of the farm facilities, she proposed the establishment of a sturdy composting shed and nursery production area in order to sustain production of organic agriculture crops. |





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| Expanding Partnerships Along the Value Chain Through Advisory Services (Advise) | Farm Business Advisory Services | This month, there were 15 queries responded to. Queries included training related queries (4), livestock related (1), OA related (4), facilities related (2), LSA related (1), IEC related queries (2), and certificate related (1). This month, there were a total of 3,595 clients served under FITS Centers and Center library. |
| Enhancing Agriculture Fisheries Extension Knowledge Products and Services (Disseminate) | Information dissemination through online media platforms | The Center intensified its online promotions with 12 webpage uploads that included transparency NRAM related posts (7), Announcements (3), and OA related posts (2). With the said uploads, there were 73,836 individuals reached and 1,997 page views. |
| | e-course developed | 1 e-course was developed this month <i>(Queen Bee Rearing)</i> |
| | Development and distribution of quality Knowledge Products (KPs) | KP Reproduced and Distributed There were 2,820 reproduced and 3,445 distributed print materials. Corporate Materials There were also 220 copies of corporate materials reproduced and distributed. |
| Establishment of AFE information systems | Database developed 5 databases are being maintained continuously (Farmers' Information and Technology Services Center (FITSC) Database, Magsasakang Siyentista (MS) Databases, Library Materials, and CAR Agricultural Profiles). | |



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| Enhancing Agriculture Fisheries Extension Knowledge Products and Services (Disseminate) | School on the Air Program | <p>"Radio is an effective and low-cost learning medium, reaching people regardless of their educational level. It is acknowledged as the primary source of news and most pervasive, persuasive and credible communication channel, specifically suited to reach remote communities and vulnerable people - the illiterate, disabled, rural women, and the youth. It has a unique advantage - the quick capacity of sharing information and technology from research institutions to millions of end users.</p> <p>School On the Air (SOAs) are relatively inexpensive and if properly planned, carefully implemented and adequately supported are equally effective compared to other conventional approaches of teaching farmers. SOAs complement and supplement the limited reach of frontline extension workers especially at this time when the COVID-19 pandemic poses challenges related to access and reach.</p> <p>PALAYARALAN: MAKABAGONG PAGSASAKA SA HIMPAPAWID (SOA ON SMART RICE AGRICULTURE), June 1 - December 20, 2021, Nationwide</p> <p>With the assumption of office of Secretary William Dar, eight new paradigms are being emunciated for rural transformation, foremost of which is the modernization and competitiveness of Philippine agriculture through cutting-edge technologies. He also emphasized the need for DA and the RCEF-Rice Extension Services Program to reach a critical mass of farmers. Along with this, there is a need to scale cutting-edge technologies along with those developed by Philippine-IRRI Collaborative Rice Program (PICRP). Part of these cutting-edge technologies are the NextGen varieties, RCM, Hybrids, PRISM and PRIME.</p> <p>The SOA-SRA aimed to help catalyze agriculture modernization through the massive and sustained education of smallholder farmers and local intermediaries on modern and innovative technologies and approaches on smart rice production.</p> <p><i>Schedule of airing:</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="552 965 2355 1380"> <thead> <tr> <th>PROVINCE</th> <th>PARTNER RADIO STATION</th> <th>SCHEDULE OF AIRING</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Abra</td> <td>DZPA 873 AM</td> <td>Every Monday and Tuesday 11:00 AM to 11:45 AM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Apayao</td> <td>DZNP-FM 96.7 Radyo Kasaranay</td> <td>Every Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 PM-2:00 PM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Benguet</td> <td>DZWT 540 AM</td> <td>Every Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Ifugao</td> <td>90.7 Talamu Sky FM (Aguinaldo)</td> <td>Every Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DWAL 99.1 FM (Alfonso Lista) Radyo Kipbodaan 99.1FM (Banawe, Hungduan, Kibangan)</td> <td>Every Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mountain Province</td> <td>Radio Natin Bontoc 100.9 FM</td> <td>Every Monday and Tuesday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | PROVINCE | PARTNER RADIO STATION | SCHEDULE OF AIRING | Abra | DZPA 873 AM | Every Monday and Tuesday 11:00 AM to 11:45 AM | Apayao | DZNP-FM 96.7 Radyo Kasaranay | Every Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 PM-2:00 PM | Benguet | DZWT 540 AM | Every Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM | Ifugao | 90.7 Talamu Sky FM (Aguinaldo) | Every Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM | DWAL 99.1 FM (Alfonso Lista) Radyo Kipbodaan 99.1FM (Banawe, Hungduan, Kibangan) | Every Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM | Mountain Province | Radio Natin Bontoc 100.9 FM | Every Monday and Tuesday 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM |
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| Enhancing Agriculture Fisheries Extension Knowledge Products and Services (Disseminate) | School on the Air Program | <p>There were 4,646 graduates announced on live on-air who completed the module. The contents revolved along the rice value chain. It took the concept of PalayAralan program of PhilRice with the PalayCheck System as overall platform. Certificates of completion or attendance shall be distributed to the participants/graduates by their respective SOA coordinators.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"The SOA-SRA is a means of continuing learning opportunities for us farmers during this pandemic. This is a good program for all farmers to help and improve our farming activities towards increased harvest and a more progressive farming community."</i> Ms. Elena C. Aboyme, Cosili East, Bangued, Abra</p> <p><i>"One of the practical lessons I learned and immediately applied from this SOA is the recommended distancing between hills during transplanting. I also observed proper weeding before fertilizer application and the results are so far very nice. Thank you for your support to us farmers and we hope you will continue doing so."</i> Ms. Violeta Lope, Bineng, La Trinidad, Benguet</p> <p>SCHOOL-ON-THE-AIR ON ECO-FRIENDLY CORN PRODUCTION USING GAP & SCOPSA, June 1 - December 22, 2021, Aguineldo, Ifugao</p> <p>The municipality of Aguineldo in Ifugao is one of the three municipalities of the province under its corn cluster area with the municipalities of Alfonso Lista and Lagawe. The ATI-CAR implemented a SOA on corn production in 2017 for the corn cluster of Ifugao, however, the municipality of Aguineldo was not yet ready to implement the program at that time. Hence, an extension program such as the SOA with the aim of further enhancing the knowledge of farmers on sustainable corn production in the municipality of Aguineldo is reasonable. Through the radio, a farmer can learn at the comforts of his own abode with lesser expenses, thus this SOA on good agricultural practices on corn production. One of the leading DA programs towards sustainable corn production is good agricultural practices (GAP). The urgency of implementing GAP is due to the mounting concern for the agriculture sector to address the emerging concerns on food safety, security, economy, health and environmental issues connected to agriculture. Moreover, there is also a need to contribute extension services to sustain efforts of various stakeholders in conserving the environment while sustaining food production particularly in rolling and hilly agricultural areas such as that of the corn production sites of Aguineldo. Thus, the SOA on eco-friendly corn production using GAP and Sustainable Corn Production in Sloping Areas (SCOPSA) focused on promoting corn production standards as spelled in the Philippine National Standard for GAP Corn and the SCOPSA as a viable technology and practice among the corn farmers of Aguineldo.</p> <p><i>Schedule of airing: every Tuesday and Thursday at 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM</i> <i>Partner radio station: 90.7 Talanu Sky FM</i></p> <p>There were 275 graduates announced on live on-air who completed the module. Certificates of completion or attendance shall be distributed to the participants/graduates by their respective SOA coordinators.</p> |





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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Turnover Activity | <p>TURNOVER OF THE RESEARCH ON ANALYSIS ON THE PHILIPPINE AFE LANDSCAPE OF CAR, December 1, 2021 Aspulan Hall, ATI-CAR</p> <p>Ms. Jaila S. Sagpa-ey provided an overview of the research project. A research project to be implemented by the Benguet State University for six months with a fund total of PhP 1M.CAR and Region 1 as the pilot regions for this research. ATI CO sees the need to revisit the current situation of the Philippine agriculture and fisheries extension system. This scoping analysis ATI aims to capture the current pluralistic and decentralized extension system and its implications to national planning and policy advocacy and strengthen the relationship of the three pillars (LGU, NGA-SUC, Private) AF extension to help ATI in carrying out its mandates as the lead agency in training AF extension providers and institute needed policies, to harmonize planning and coordination of fragmented pluralistic nature of extension delivery in the Philippines.</p> <p><i>Research objective:</i> aims to assess the current Philippine agriculture and fisheries extension landscape and provide a macro perspective of the situation of the country's training and advisory services.</p> <p>Message of BSU President Felipe Salaing-Comila: Gave his commitment to support the project as this is one of his administrations' goals under his BSU CARES program -specifically on the implementation of programs and activities along Engender partnership. Further, he shared some values of service to the group- example. obedience, wisdom, strength and benefit. Ceremonial turnover of the Php 1,000,000,000 check to BSU received by Pres. Comila and Mr. Paul Nuval</p> <p>Message of OIC Training Center Director Charlie Sagudan: Gave his commitment to support the research project like on providing technical assistance and secondary data needed; and manpower complementation to the research team as needed.</p> <p>Response by Mr. Paul Joseph Nuval: Gave the assurance that the research team will do their responsibilities to come up with the deliverables as expected-in a way this will be their legacy in the extension sector of the country.</p> |





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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Performance Assessment | <p>DA-ATI-CAR 3RD QUARTER 2021 PERFORMANCE REVIEW ACTIVITY</p> <p>The Center conducts its review and assessment quarterly. The review focused on the analysis of interventions to determine "how far" the Institute is in providing extension services in the region. It also allowed the Center to determine if it had successfully implemented its interventions and did these interventions reach the intended beneficiaries. Activities undertaken were the provision of a linear presentation of the physical and financial accomplishments to ensure smooth implementation of the remaining activities.</p> <p>Results, agreements and reminders, from the FY 2021 Commodity Banner Programs Year-End Assessment were feed backed for information sharing and to optimize work process for the Center. Inputs on Training Operations, Learning Site Identification, Validation and Monitoring, Documentation of Success Stories, Institutionalization/Harmonization of Awards and Incentives for Agricultural Training and Extension Programs and Activities, Added Projects/Undertakings for 2022 and beyond, and Administrative Concern was also presented by OIC-TCD Charlie C. Sagudan. From the inputs presented, the Center discussed issues, concerns, updates and innovations that were encountered in the implementation of the targets that are also relevant and valuable in the implementation of set plans for CY 2021 and for the succeeding years. Management</p> <p>This assessment was conducted on December 13-14, participated by 44 DA-ATI-CAR held in Aspulan Hall, DA-ATI-CAR, BSU Compound, La Trinidad, Benguet.</p> <p>Impressions:</p> <p><i>"Congratulations to the PMESU Team! Although this is a regular activity, it's very nice to reflect on our targets and plans. I just remembered the Internal Framework Analysis that we attended last week, with the acronym KISS. In our reviews it's nice to follow it as we can see what are the things that we need to KEEP? IMPROVE? STOP? START? though the prepared presentations. With that, thank you very much that we were able to analyze once more and review. From here on, we can see our performance and look ahead on areas where we can improve and for the betterment of our services. Thank you for the regular activity." – Ms. Jam R. Balingan, MPS II and CDMSS Head</i></p> <p><i>"As a new employee in this Institution, it is my first time to witness a presentation of target versus accomplishment. It is a good avenue for me to experience activities like this. This is also a good avenue for me to be informed on what is going on in our Institution, and if there are some instances that I am being asked, at least I can have an answer. Congratulations to the PMESU Team." – Mr. Esjay Zausa, Technical Support Staff</i></p> |





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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Year-End Assessment | <p>FY 2021 COMMODITY BANNER PROGRAMS YEAR-END ASSESSMENT</p> <p>To further improve the delivery of extension support services of Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) Commodity Banner Programs, this 6-activity was undertaken scheduled on December 2-3 (HVCD and UAP), 9-10 (OA and COC), and 16-17 (Rice and RCEF), 2021.</p> <p>Some highlights:</p> <p>HVCDP - Mapping high value commodities is suggested as a guide to project implementation, Impact of farmer clustering activities must also be looked into, Access to quality ICT infrastructure (i.e. internet) and media resources are some of the most common issues experienced by RTCs. Since online and blended training delivery systems may still be used in the succeeding year/s. This concern must be dealt with accordingly.</p> <p>UAP - Full institutionalization of the UAP, including budget allocation for UAP commodity gardens, It is suggested to simplify the monitoring forms for urban agriculture. ATI-CO assured that the revision of the said forms is on-going (in cooperation with the PPD). For the time-being, the latest version shall still be used for follow-through activities.</p> <p>OA - Reminded to be aware of the difference between ICS and PGS, there must be a memorandum of agreement between RTCs and LGUs should there be facilities or resources that will be provided by LGUs for PGS (e.g. office hall, equipment)</p> <p>COC - Standardization of training and module designs for all regions, Harmonization of RTCs, RFOs, and LGUs in the conduct of activities as early as planning stage</p> <p>RICE - Practice and explore alternative implementation scheme (pre-recorded videos, coaching and mentoring, tap LSA/SPA)</p> <p>RCEF - Boost social media presence especially on advocacy campaigns and programs to improve the communication of ATI-led activities to the stakeholders and policymakers.</p> <p>Ways forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mainstreaming Climate Change Modules per Memorandum no. M21-12-423 "Streaming of AMIA Decision Support Tools (DST) Modules to all ATI Commodity Banner Training Programs" ▪ Forwarding the Modules and IEC material soft copies produced by RTCs for CO reproduction Deadline: December 15, 2021 (Wednesday) ▪ Submission of FY 2023 Indicative Plans Deadline: December 20, 2021 (Monday) |





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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Field Monitoring Report | <p>EASY AGRI SCHOLARS IN ABRA, August 12, 2021, Bangued, Abra</p> <p>The EAsY Agri program aims to encourage capable and deserving youth, particularly the children of smallholder farmers and fishers to pursue studies, professional career in agriculture and/or venture to agri-preneurship; Specifically, the scholarship program shall: 1. Provide subsidy for tertiary education of youth scholars towards the completion of their chosen Degree course in agriculture, fisheries and other related courses; 2. Produce agricultural professionals, and a new breed of farmers who are equipped with necessary knowledge and technical skills; and possess the right attitude in putting up agribusiness enterprises.</p> <p>Of the 15 scholars, three of which are in Abra-Leinalyn Alfaro, Genevieve Pico and Jiel Bernal. They were monitored to assess their academic performance in school as well as discuss some pressing concerns. There were observed errors in the computation of the General Weighted Grade Average of Ms. Leinalyn Alfaro as well as there are still lacking grades from her other subjects hence it was requested that she will clarify this to their school registrar. Ms. Genevieve Pico and Mr. Jiel Bernal were not able to submit their original copies of their Certificate of Enrolment for the current semester and Certificate of Grade for the previous semester, hence during this monitoring, they were able to submit these documents. However, it was still noted that there were subjects with lacking grades, hence they were requested to submit another copy of their Certificate of Grades upon completion of the lacking grades. Some of their concerns discussed were their struggles in communicating with their instructors and professors which affects their grades. Sometimes, some of their instructors were not responding to their queries hence some school requirements were missed to be seen by them. It was good news that Mr. Jiel Bernal excelled in his academic performance with a General Weighted Average of 1.75. These scholars were once again reminded of their responsibilities as scholars and be mindful of their grades.</p> <p>Monitored by Ms. Jam R. Balingan, focal person.</p> |



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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Staff sent to Local Trainings | <p>INDIVIDUAL NON-DEGREE COURSE COMPLETION REPORT</p> <p>Mr. Jordan B. Pilay attended the 19th Regional Conference of Human Resource Management Practitioners in CAR on December 1-3, 2021. This was an online training/ seminar conducted by Civil Service Commission (CSC-CAR). Topics discussed were <i>HR-Reimagined: Transforming the HR Landscape in the New Normal</i> by Ms. Rodolfo B. Encajonado, <i>The Future of Work</i> by Ms. Mark Flores, and <i>HR Hourney of Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas</i> by Mr. Inigo Regalado III.</p> |
| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Monitoring Report | <p>EASY AGRI SCHOLARS, December 3, 2021, Virtual</p> <p>This monitoring was conducted to address issues and concerns of the scholars. Recently, there were two (2) BSABE scholars who were replaced since they were not able to comply with the requirements of the scholarship. One did not enroll while the other failed in three of his subjects. Again, just this December, another two (2) of the scholars had the same case. Hence, this activity was called for to assess the performance of the scholars as well as discuss their concerns which the office can address. Ms. Jam R. Balingan, focal, once again presented the purpose and objectives of the scholarship, the terms of conditions/obligations/responsibilities of the scholars and the breach and default of contract.</p> <p>Some of the problems encountered were the following: From the Scholars: <i>"I was not able to concentrate during the time of my exams because of the sudden death of my grandmother on the scheduled week of our exam where it kept me busy on her funeral"</i> - Rhiena Liza Caluza;</p> <p><i>"Poor internet connection or poor data network especially during quizzes, but nonetheless these are not that big problems anyway."</i> - Jovelyn Pascual.</p> <p>To have a better discussion and getting to know the scholars, a face-to-face meeting will be scheduled the following year.</p> |





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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Monitoring Report | <p>AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WORKER (AEW) PROFILE UPDATING, August to December 2021</p> <p>It is deemed important to have the profiling of the Agricultural Extension Workers (AEWs) in the country to address the gap of the National Extension System with the Local Government Units. Having the database and profiles of the AEWs who are the main performers in extension will help the national agency to identify the needed services that they should provide to have responsive and effective implementers. LGUs are considered the best channels in the system since they know well about their localities and its specific needs. But extension endeavors are never that easy and AEWs should have given sufficient resources when it comes to career and personal development for them to be motivated in the execution of their jobs. And this profiling will help in recognizing AEWs as important actors in extension service system.</p> <p>To establish a more accurate and complete data, the PMEU led this activity on the updating of AEW Profiles. This profile is very important in the implementation of the Mandanas'-Garcia Ruling which is very much at hand.</p> <p>Profiles per municipality were cull-ed out from the consolidated data and it was attached in the message sent.</p> |
| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Field Monitoring Report | <p>ORIENTATION AND AWARDED OF CHECKS OF NEWLY ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY URBAN AGRICULTURE MODEL FARM, December 8-10, 2021, Pidigan, Abra, Puditol Apayao, Bulanao, Tabuk City</p> <p>The activity was conducted to launch the three (3) pilot projects on Corn-based village learning sites for agriculture (VLSA) located in Pamutik, Pidigan, Abra, Cacalagdan, Puditol, Apayao and Alfonso Lista, Ifugao. The launching was conducted simultaneously which was attended by two (2) teams represented by all Sections: PASS, CDMS, AFSU, and ISS. Team A was composed of the undersigned, Jam Balingan, Aiza Abdul and Jaypee Na-oy, while team B composed of Veronica Siloy, Jordan Pilay, Adrian Chris Velasco and Maximino Aramin. Both team A and B attended the launching in Pidigan, Abra including OIC-Center Director, Mr. Charlie C. Sagudan.</p> <p>December 08, 2021: Soft Launching of VLSA in Pidigan, Abra.</p> <p>The Launching Program started at exactly 10:00 AM and ended at 12:15 PM. It was attended by the six (6) VLSA cooperators, SB Chairman on Agriculture, Barangay Officials of Pamutik, Irrigators Association Presidents of Pidigan, OMAG Staff and ATI CAR staff headed by OIC-Director, Mr. Charlie Sagudan.</p> |



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| Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support) | Field Monitoring Report | <p>Participants were acknowledged by the Municipal Agriculturist, Ms. Perpetua B. Ancheta. She also presented the 6 VLSA partners: a. Magdalena Jimenez b. Reynaldo Ancheta c. Demetrio Billedo d. Roberto Billedo e. Efren Billedo f. Richard Pisquerra. Overview and highlights of the VLSA were presented by Mr. Sagudan. The SB on Agriculture Committee, Mr. Advencula inspired the VLSA partners and farmer guests through his message that they will continually support the farmers through irrigation projects. He also encourages the VLSAs to perform well their functions and obligations as ATI partners. The participants were also Oriented on the reporting system, monitoring and liquidation of the amount provided, when the project is done. The Farm profile was prepared by MLGU Staff through interview; however, it will be sent later by Ms. Acheta since she has to review and package the information provided by the cooperators. As to the status of the project, 4 were almost done on their establishment while 2 will still be starting their holding area. The VLSA project is also part of the Corn-Based Model farm established and funded by the DA RFO CAR. This was launched ahead in November, 2021.</p> <p>December 09, 2021: Monitoring Activities in Apayao</p> <p><u>Flora Agri Tourism Farm Purok 3, Tamalunog, Flora, Apayao</u></p> <p>The farm was owned and managed by Ms. Chona Tuy Roque of Flora, Apayao. During the field monitoring, there was an ongoing class activity on Organic Agriculture Production NC II funded by TESDA-Apayao. Accordingly, this is now her 2nd batch for the year. The 1st batch have passed the OA NC II Assessment and they now become her staff and trainers for the 2nd batch. The farm also served as venue for the Season long Farmer Field School on OA production conducted and funded by PLGU Apayao. Based on records, the farm and farm owner had been an active partner in helping front liners and volunteers during the pandemic, partner of DepEd in teaching pupils in gardening and food processing. The farm was very organized. It is planted with dragon fruit, vegetables and some fruit bearing trees. Another component added includes free range chicken, rabbit production, swine production, ornamentals, wine processing, preserves and bread and pastries. Farm facilities such as greenhouse, training hall, poultry house for the FRC, farm kitchen, comfort rooms for men and women and Office are all functional. Lodging and processing are currently being constructed. The team asked Ms. Roque to liquidate the amount given by the Center as enhancement amounting 100K when done. The farm garnered the following awards under High Value-Crop Category for CY 2021: -Best Performing Learning Site for Agriculture Highest Number of Client Served.</p> <p>The Team was accompanied by Ms. Grace Echeverie from MLGU-Flora. From Flora Agri Tourism Farm, the group visited Mr. Joey Laureta to get documents in support of his application as a Corn-based learning site for Agriculture. Mr. Laureta was not ready with his proposal but he is requesting for a holding area near his farm so the team asked him to send the detailed bill of materials needed and a project lay-out.</p> <p><u>Maquera Farm Luna, Apayao</u></p> <p>The 10-hectare animal-based farm is being managed by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maquera and assisted by their son, who is a graduate of Agriculture, major in Animal Science. They have permanent and on-call workers assisting or helping them in maintaining the operation of the farm. The farm component includes coconut and</p> |



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CRFBS farmer graduates from Cupis, Conner, Apayao



Grouping of participants for the discussion of their re-entry plan



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Participant take down notes during one of the SQA-SRA episodes in the province of Abra



DIC Center Director Charlie C. Sagudan giving his message and awarding Ma'am Arlene Flores with plaque of recognition



Some participants with the FSTP coordinator Ms Emma Concepcion Fermin (left) during the harvesting and consolidation of experimental data





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DA RED Cameron P. Odsey giving his message during the CAR AFEN activity.



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DA-ATI-CAR OIC Charlie C. Sagudan presenting the Overview of the Activity.



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