

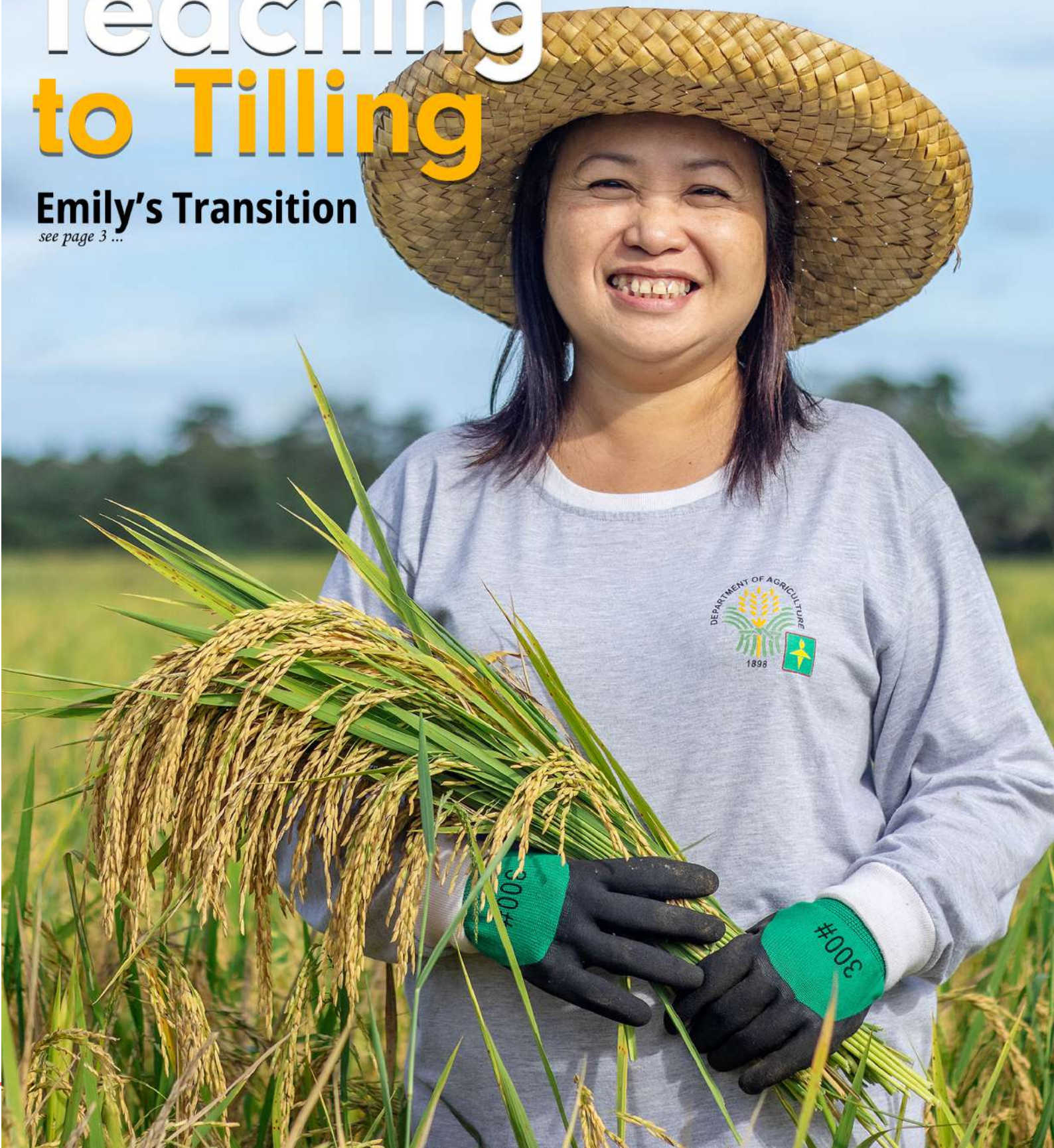


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The word Timgas is a Cebuano term which means white and smooth in texture usually in reference to the grains of a high-quality rice. As an adjective, it is synonymous to ageless, enduring, eternal, firm, and everlasting.

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# Emily's Transition from Pedagogy to Paddy Fields

*From teaching to tilling, from pedagogy to paddy fields.  
This is the story of Emily Nimes*

**A** former high school English teacher at the Department of Education in Carrascal, Surigao del Sur who decided to leave her profession to focus on agriculture full-time. Her journey in farming began during the challenging times of the pandemic when lockdowns disrupted daily life. At first, farming was just a stress reliever until she realized this could be her true life-long calling.

Emily already had a rice field at her disposal, so she decided to make rice her primary commodity. She was committed to producing high-quality, chemical-free rice for her family. Recognizing that most rice in the market contained chemicals, even if it was locally produced, she aimed to create a safe and chemical-free rice source. Her surplus produce allowed her to earn additional income by selling it to others.

**“**Most of the rice sold in the market is from other countries and we know that it is full of chemicals. Even if the rice is produced locally, I know that some are reliant on chemical sprays. So, I decided to have my own rice farm. Through this, I can have my own rice and safe produce for my family. I can also sell my extra produce to my neighbors and earn money in return.”



## SUCCESS STORY

Emily manages a one-hectare rice field planted with NSIC RC 160 variety. To ensure the quality of her rice, she adopted various technologies, such as the PalayCheck System and soil analysis at the Department of Agriculture's Soils Laboratory. Through training, she learned the right methods for applying nutrients and managed to avoid chemical pesticides, ensuring safe and high-quality produce.

### Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Program (RCEP)

As a recipient of the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Program (RCEP), Emily benefitted greatly from this initiative designed to improve the competitiveness of rice farmers in the Philippines. With components focused on farm mechanization, inbred rice seed development, expanded credit assistance, and rice extension services, the program equipped her with new knowledge and technology. This support allowed her to enhance the quality of her rice production.

“As a farmer, it is a big advantage for me that I am under RCEP. I was able to learn new technologies and unlearn the traditional ways of rice farming”.



## The Emily Integrated Farm

At Emily Integrated Farm, Emily has established a diverse array of agricultural ventures, including hydroponic lettuce, free-range native chickens, vegetable cultivation, a Tilapia Pond, and swine raising using advanced Korean technology. She also processes her produce into value-added products, such as veggie rolls, spring rolls, and Kalabasa chips. Furthermore, she is also into wine-making where she uses either jackfruit or banana as her primary ingredients.

### Back to Teaching

In addition to her farming endeavors, Emily's teaching background led her to become a Learning Site for Agriculture (LSA) cooperator and a Magsasaka Siyentista (farmer-scientist) of the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI). She received substantial support, including a water pump for her rice field, assistance in building a training hall, and essential equipment like a laptop, projector, and speakers.

She has also been approved as a Farm School by TESDA and will conduct five batches of rice production training in the coming months.

The Emily Integrated Farm is also a Farmers' Information and Technology Services (FITS) Kiosk where farmers can have access to technology-based resources. As a hub for disseminating knowledge, it only proves Emily's commitment to education and sharing best practices within her farming community. She welcomes farmers to her farm, sharing knowledge and resources, and actively participates in farmers' associations and cooperatives.

“I am a teacher by profession and I could still practice this by sharing the knowledge that I have and at the same time continue my passion for farming. It is like hitting two birds with one stone.”



## Challenges and Future Goals

While Emily saw an increase in production in the first year under the RCEP, Typhoon Odette adversely affected her rice fields in the second year. Nevertheless, Emily remains determined to fully mechanize her rice farming and demonstrate the benefits of such mechanization to other farmers. Her goals include expanding her rice and vegetable areas, ultimately contributing to a healthy and prosperous community in Carrascal.

## Words of Advice

Emily encourages aspiring farmers to embrace resilience, faith, patience, and adaptability. Farming can be a gamble, but diversification and integrated farming can mitigate risks and lead to both financial success and a fulfilling, sustainable agricultural lifestyle.

“Don’t put all your resources in one basket only,” she says. “Try to diversify and practice integrated farming.”

Emily’s journey from being a high school teacher to a successful farmer, trainer, and agricultural innovator is a testament to the possibilities in agriculture even during challenging times.

# Local leaders, LGU reps explore partnership opportunities with ATI



**BUTUAN CITY** - Mayors, Vice Mayors, Sangguniang Bayan (SB) Members, and various local government unit (LGU) representatives gathered at the Almont Inland Resort on August 25, 2023 to engage in a comprehensive discussion with the Agricultural Training Institute – Regional Training Center 13 (ATI-RTC 13). The event, titled “Briefing on ATI’s Programs and Services for Local Chief Executives (LCEs),” aimed to foster closer collaboration between ATI and local leaders to advance agricultural development in the region.

The team from ATI-RTC 13 was led by the OIC Center Director of ATI-RTC 13, Dr. Jessie Beldia, who welcomed the participants during his message. Also present to explain their programs and services were OIC Assistant Center Director Violeta Laguna (Rice Program, RCEF, PAFES, and CFIDP), Information Services Section Chief Fil Victor Babanto (Techno Gabay Program, e-Learning Program, School-on-the-Air, Digital Farmers Program), Senior Agriculturist Engr. Matt Andrew Baquiano (Learning Site for Agriculture, Livestock Program,

Rural-based Organizations, NUPAP), Planning Officer II Nena Lomuntad (Planning, Monitoring, and Evaluation), Training Specialist II Elena Madelo-Baquiano (Trainings, GAD, Organic Agriculture, Corn Program, and HVCDP), and Media Production Specialist II Mary Grace Salve (Scholarships).

The briefing was organized to achieve several objectives such as increasing participant’s awareness of ATI’s programs and services, encouraging collaborative partnerships, and addressing agricultural extension issues in the locality.

The interactive event witnessed discussions, presentations, and Q&A sessions. The event concluded with a renewed commitment from both parties to work closely to further enhance agricultural development in the region.



## Twenty-six Gigaquit rice farmers graduate from Modified Farmers Field School

GIGAQUIT, Surigao del Norte - Twenty-six (26) rice farmers from this town celebrated their completion of the 14-week Modified Farmers Field School (MFFS) focused on the Production of High-Quality Inbred Rice and Seeds and Farm Mechanization. The graduation ceremony took place at the Barangay Villafranca Hall. It was attended by the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI), Provincial and Municipal Agriculture Office, municipal and barangay officials, and rice farmers.

The MFFS program, financed by the ATI, aimed to empower local rice farmers with the knowledge and skills necessary to improve their rice production practices, enhance seed quality, and embrace modern farm mechanization techniques.

Violeta T. Laguna, the OIC Assistant Center Director of ATI-RTC 13, expressed her heartfelt gratitude to the participants and the Local Government Units (LGUs) for their collaborative efforts in making the FFS a resounding success. She commended the farmers for their dedication and eagerness to learn, which, she believed, would greatly benefit their communities. Laguna further emphasized the importance of knowledge sharing, urging the graduates to pass on what they have learned to their fellow farmers in Gigaquit and beyond.

The 14-week MFFS covered a wide range of topics essential for modernizing rice farming practices. Farmers received comprehensive training in cultivating high-quality inbred rice, improving seed quality through proper selection and management, and embracing farm mechanization to increase efficiency and productivity.

They were also taught the operation of a four-wheel-drive tractor and floating tiller machine.

Hon. Elias T. Borja, Sangguniang Bayan Member of Gigaquit, lauded the initiative of ATI in trying to transform agricultural production in the locality. On the other hand, Hon. Ramon Enario, Punong Barangay of Villafranca, expressed his gratitude for conducting the program in his village. He likewise pledged continued support for similar programs that empower farmers and enhance food security in Villafranca.

In her message, Gigaquit Municipal Agriculturist Gilda Bersabal, encouraged the farmers to share their knowledge with others so that the program will have a rippling effect and will reach far and wide, positively impacting the livelihoods of many more farmers in the municipality.

Angel Fazon, IPM Provincial Coordinator of Surigao del Norte, likewise said that the MFFS program serves as a testament to the potential for collaboration between national government agencies, LGUs, and local farmers to create productive agricultural communities. It is a step forward in ensuring a stable food supply for the country.



# Training on rice pests and diseases mgt empowers LFTs

LOS ANGELES, Butuan City - The Career Development and Management Section (CDMS) of the Agricultural Training Institute - Regional Training Center 13 (ATI-RTC 13) conducted a training program entitled “Training on Rice Pests and Diseases Management with Field Diagnosis for Local Farmer Technicians (LFTs) Batch 1” on August 8-11, 2023 at the Golden Tara Hall of ATI-RTC 13.

There will be four batches of this training with a total of 84 LFT participants. The remaining batches are scheduled as follows: August 15 - 18 (Batch 2), August 22 – 25 (Batch 3), and August 29 - September 1 (Batch 4). The training program aims to address the pressing issues faced by rice farmers in the Philippines.

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# FA reps in PDI complete training on vegetable prod'n

SAN JOSE, Province of Dinagat Islands (PDI) - Eighteen farmers from the Province of Dinagat Islands (PDI) received their certificate of completion after the three-day Training on Vegetable Production and Management Batch 1 held on June 17-19, 2023 in San Jose, PDI.

It aims to enhance the knowledge and skills of vegetable farmers in producing safe and good quality products incorporating the organic agriculture system and management.

The completers, who were mostly first-time participants of ATI, were members of six farmer associations (FAs) within the province. Resource Persons from the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPAg) were Edito R. Casido, Senior

Agriculturist, and Milky O. Ebueza, Agricultural Technologist.

The activity was highlighted by the participants' hands-on preparation of different concoctions using available materials in the locality (FFJ, FPJ, and OHN) and visitation to the provincial vegetable garden where participants examined and identified various insects, pests, and diseases.

It was conducted under the Gender and Development Program of ATI-RTC XIII in partnership with the OPAg.



Participants, together with resource speaker Edito Casido, visited the provincial vegetable garden on July 19, 2023 where they identified various insects, pests, and diseases in vegetables.



## GAD program supports campaign on mental health and wellness

TANDAG CITY, Surigao del Sur – Recognizing the roles of the various sectors in the community and the importance of well-being in the productivity of an individual the Agricultural Training Institute – Regional Training Center (ATI-RTC) XIII conducted the first batch of Seminar on Mental Health and Wellness on July 7, 2023 at Shacene Pension House and Restaurant.

The one-day activity aims to discuss the importance of mental health and wellness; explain the basic dimensions of mental health and well-being; identify common mental health issues and disorders; and enumerate emotional well-being and stress-reducing practices.

It was participated by 24 individuals composed of senior citizens, 4-H Club members, and Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) from Tandag City.

Resource persons from the Tandag City Health Office were Estela Carmen Fatima Azarcon, Rea Antonette B. Dapar, and Mabel R. Sevilla.

The said seminar was conducted under the Gender and Development (GAD) Program of the ATI-RTC XIII headed by Ressel Angelie Fetalsana, GAD Alternate point person and Information Officer II.

## ATI 13 equips BAWs, BAHWs in SurSur

TANDAG CITY, Surigao del Sur – With its goal to empower the agriculture sector at the barangay level, the Agricultural Training Institute – Regional Training Center (ATI-RTC) XIII conducted the fifth batch of Capability Enhancement Training for Barangay Agricultural Workers (BAWs) and Barangay Animal Health Workers (BAHWs) on July 4-6, 2023 at Shacene Pension House and Restaurant.

The three-day training aimed to enhance the soft skills and strengthen the capability of the newly-hired BAWs and BAHWs who are considered as work partners of the Agricultural Extension Workers (AEWs) and the Local Government Units (LGUs).

It was participated by 19 individuals from the municipalities of Marihatag and San Agustin and City of Tandag in Surigao del Sur. They were able to hear topics on the roles and responsibilities of being a BAW/BAHWs, values formation, self-awareness, leadership, gender issues, and responsible human communication.

Resource persons from the Provincial Veterinary Office were Supervising Agriculturist Norbert Yu Jr., Ruben Mananquil, Rodelo Madiano, Adhem Espineli, Emmylou Calilan, and Coneda Galela.

Partakers also learned the importance of self-awareness, values formation, and gender issues that would affect the decision-making of one person towards self and work were explained by Novalil Tubo from the City Social Welfare Office of Cabadbaran City, Agusan del Norte.

They also shared their experiences during the discussion of responsible communication with Ressel Angelie Fetalsana, Information Officer II of ATI-RTC XIII.



# ATI conducts scholarship semestral assessment

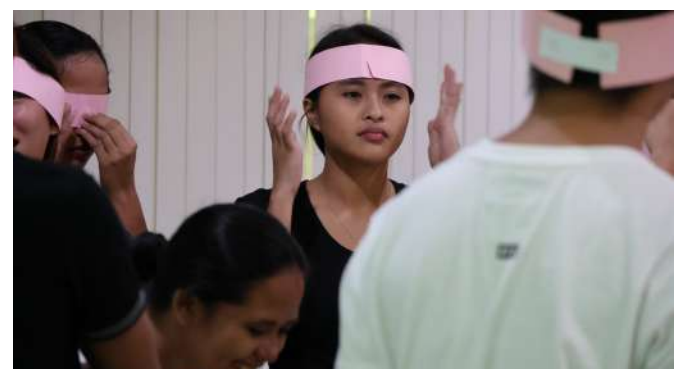
Los Angeles, Butuan City - Aiming to improve the management of the scholarship programs, the ATI-RTC 13 held the Semestral Assessment and Team Building last July 6, 2023, at the Golden Tara Hall, ATI, Los Angeles, Butuan City.

The ATI, through the scholarship point person, evaluated the academic performances and compliance with the program for the second semester of the academic year 2022-2023. Mary Grace B. Salve mentioned that the majority are yet to submit the certificate of grades and registration, specifically those with midyear or summer classes. She also discussed the responsibilities and obligations, as well as the ground for contract termination, as a reminder to the grantees of the provisions of the service contract.

In her message, Ms. Violeta T. Laguna, OIC-Assistant Center Director, encouraged the grantees to value the opportunity given to them by ensuring compliance with the standards set by the program.

During the event, Mr. Jason Paul Dads facilitated the team-building activities to provide motivation and social interaction among grantees. The grantees shared their insights and testimony about the program.

Twenty-nine individuals comprised of 4 grantees under the Educational Grants for Extension Workers (EdGE), 12 EAsY Agri Batch 1 and 13 EAsY Agri Batch 2 grantees, attended the activity.



## ATI scouts EAsY Agri batch 3 grantees

Butuan City - The Agricultural Training Institute opens scholarship opportunities to deserving youth, particularly the incoming freshman in the Caraga region, through the Educational Assistance for the Youth in Agriculture (EAsY Agri).

Easy Agri, which is now on its 3rd batch, is a college scholarship grant for the children of smallholder farmers and fishers inclined to agriculture, giving them equal opportunities to pursue a Degree Program in agriculture and other related courses in State Universities and Colleges.

As part of the screening process, the regional Training and Scholarship committee interviewed 18 applicants on July 10 and July 17, 2023, respectively. The shortlist is based on the result and endorsed for review, evaluation, and the National Training and Scholarship Committee. They will complete the 15 slots allotted for Caraga. T

Shortlisted applicants are as follows: Hazel Ann M. Meniano and Marjorie B. Parilla, both from San Francisco, Agusan del Sur; Jasmein A. Luison of Jabonga, Dwight Lance E. Jumao-as of Carmen, Lordito S. Lacaran Jr. of Nasipit, Aubrey Lady Mae L. Bulalhog, of Tubay, all of Agusan del Norte, and Kitchie S. Luzon of Butuan City; Hanielyn G. Morillon, and Rozzen Ken Bernadez both from San Francisco, Eiziel Ann M. Balais and Rochelle R. Moron, of Bacuag, Aldrin M. Yu of Mainit, all of Surigao del Norte; Marjory A. Besinga from Cortes, Surigao del Sur; and from Cagdianao, Province of Dinagat Island, Ivie M. Densing and Apple Aya Gin M. Escatin.

The EAsY Agri aims to encourage the youth to engage in agriculture as professionals or agriprenuers in the future.

# Training helps AEWs, coop leaders develop project proposals

**BUTUAN CITY** - The Agricultural Training Institute - Regional Training Center 13 (RTC 13) has completed the conduct of the Training on Project Proposal Development at the ATI Golden Tara Hall in Butuan City which ran from September 12-15, 2023. The event was designed to equip Agricultural Extension Workers (AEWs) with the skills and knowledge needed to develop effective project proposals under the Province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension System (PAFES).

The primary objective of this training was to empower AEWs to create comprehensive and successful project proposals.

Eighteen participants, comprising AEWs from various provinces in the Caraga Region, gathered for this capacity-building initiative. Mr. Joeirene Campomanes, Chairman of the Magroyong Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative (MAFAMUCO) in San Miguel, Surigao del Sur, served as the resource person for this training. Campomanes started by familiarizing himself with the participants' profiles to tailor his approach to the lecture and training outcomes.

The training methodology includes grouping participants by province and guiding them in conceptualizing project titles using the elements of successful projects.

The project proposals that were developed were based on ATI's standard template. They were critiqued by Campomanes, Engr. Matt Andrew Baquiano (Senior Agriculturist / PASS Chief of ATI-RTC 13), and Jason Paul Dads E. Jampac, MPS II of ATI-RTC 13). This is to enhance the quality of the proposals and foster a collaborative learning environment.



## Training on Photography and Vlogging empowers

**BUTUAN CITY** - The Agricultural Training Institute - Regional Training Center 13 (ATI-RTC 13), in collaboration with the Province of Surigao del Sur - Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPAG SDS), successfully conducted "Training on Photography and Vlogging (Batch 2)" from September 5 to 8, 2023, at the ATI Golden Tara Hall in Butuan City.

Twenty (20) participants, comprising AEWs and Local Support to Agriculture (LSA) staff from Surigao del Sur, successfully completed the course. This training equipped them with the skills and knowledge needed to document extension practices, capture engaging photos and videos, and promote programs and activities related

Moreover, the participants learned how to process images and present them in their finished form, making them suitable for the development of Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) materials. Furthermore, they were equipped with the knowledge and skills to create engaging vlogs and harness the potential of social media for effective outreach.

The training program was enriched by the expertise of Mr. Erwin M. Mascariñas, a multi-awarded photojournalist. His insights and guidance were invaluable in helping participants master the art and science of photography and vlogging.

# ATI joins 2023 Int'l Conference on eLearning

BATAC, Ilocos Norte - The 2023 International Conference on eLearning (ICE) took place from September 7-9, 2023 at the Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU). Under the theme "Breaking the ICE: Collaboration and Engagement Towards a Stable and Inclusive Hybrid Learning Ecosystem," this event made groundbreaking discussions on eLearning education.

Dr. Saturnina Nisperos, the Dean of the College of Computing and Information Science at MMSU, emphasized the importance of collaboration and engagement in shaping the future of eLearning. She said this during her welcome address on Day 1.

Dr. Janice Antoinette Forster of Silliman University and the current Philippine eLearning Society (PeLS) President, noted in her speech the importance of eLearning education and ICE as an invaluable platform for the exchange of knowledge within the eLearning community.

The three-day event was packed with knowledge-sharing sessions, plenary discussions, and paper presentations. Around 30 paper presenters shared their research and experiences while 2-4 plenary speakers conveyed insights and innovations each day.

The conference also featured sponsor presentations by industry giants such as Beenet, Canvas, BonEagle,

Nephilia Web Technology, and C&E Publishing.

To mention a few papers during the parallel presentations were "AbelAble: Interactive Mobile Learning Kit in Iloco Loom Weaving" and "Development of a Web-based Open Educational Resources System: Open Online Courses, Educational Platforms, and Teaching-Learning Resources."

Day 2 and 3 commenced with a synthesis of the previous day. Organizers also solicited key takeaways from the participants for purposes of interaction, feedback, and assessment.

The ICE concluded on the third day (September 9) with another round of plenary sessions. The closing ceremony happened in the afternoon.

The highlight of the closing program was the awarding of the best paper presentations as a recognition of the outstanding works of the researchers/presenters in the field of eLearning.

The PeLS Board of Trustees, as the brains behind ICE 2023, extended their heartfelt thanks to MMSU for hosting the event, as well as to the participants, sponsors, and volunteers.

## ATI-RTC 13 participates in the DA Information Network Harmonization Workshop

SUKAILANG, Surigao City – Being one in advocacy of strengthening the information network in the region, the Agricultural Training Institute-Regional Training Center 13 participated in the Harmonization Workshop conducted by the Department of Agriculture – Regional Agriculture and Fisheries Information Section (DA-RAFIS), August 14-16, 2023 at the JB Nature Farm and Resort.

Ms. Emmylou T. Presilda, DA-RAFIS Chief, emphasized that the DA's goal is to develop a strategic approach to disseminating information to ensure its accuracy and effectiveness. She also presented the core functions and highlighted the multi-media information services initiated and maintained by RAFIS. These include audio-video production, agrivisory text blasts, and the production and distribution of print materials through the Civil Society Organization's Agri Info Corner, among others.

Information officers from the DA attached agencies and bureaus, namely the National Irrigation Administration,

Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, ATI, Philippine Rice Research Institute, Philippine Coconut Authority, National Food Authority, and Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority attended the event. Also present are farm casters from the Provincial Agriculture Office and Provincial Veterinary Office – Surigao del Sur, Provincial Veterinary Office – Surigao del Sur, and City Agriculture Office – Bislig City. The participants shared their agencies' updates and accomplishments.

On the second day, a workshop on communication audit was conducted, to identify a venue for agency collaboration. The participants listed their communication expertise and the programs currently in place. They also identified various communication tools, and the platforms that the agency has used.

Mary Grace B. Salve, Media Production Specialist II, represented ATI during the workshop.

# RTWC evaluates FITS Center and farmers in Nasipit

NASIPIT, Agusan del Norte - The Regional Technical Working Committee (RTWC) for the Techno Gabay Program (TGP) recently conducted an evaluation of the Farmers' Information and Technology Services (FITS) Center located in Nasipit, Agusan del Norte. The FITS Center in the said town is housed within the newly constructed Municipal Agriculturist's Office (MAO) building in Brgy. Kinabjangan.

The RTWC, composed of personnel from ATI-RTC 13 and Caraga State University (CSU), interviewed Lydia A. Apatan, the Municipal Agriculturist of Nasipit. The committee members included Fil Victor Babanto, Information Services Section (ISS) Chief from ATI-RTC 13; Rodel Pasion, a professor from Caraga State University (CSU); and Jason Paul Dads E. Jampac, Media Production Specialist II from ATI-13.

The discussion aimed to assess the functionality, effectiveness, and overall impact of the FITS Center in serving the agricultural needs of the Nasipit community. The FITS Center plays an important role in disseminating information, innovative technologies, and best practices to local farmers, empowering them to improve their agricultural practices.

In addition to the evaluation of the FITS Center, the RTWC also turned its attention to the evaluation of two outstanding farmers from Nasipit. These farmers,

nominated as Magsasakang Siyentista (MS), have demonstrated commitment and dedication to advancing agricultural practices in the municipality. The MS nominees were Edwin "Dondon" Cordoya, from Brgy. Aclan, and Myrna Tabanao, a resident of Brgy. Culit.

Later, the RTWC endorsed Tabanao due to her leadership and communications skills, good agriculture practices, and track record.



# LSA cooperator receives ICT equipment from ATI-RTC 13

SAN MIGUEL, Surigao del Sur – The Agricultural Training Institute - Regional Training Center 13 (ATI-RTC 13) bestows ICT equipment to Joeirene Campomanes, a Learning Site for Agriculture (LSA) cooperator of Las Casas de Campomanes in San Miguel, Surigao del Sur on August 17, 2023. The turnover ceremony marked ATI's commitment to providing extension support to deserving LSAs for their active partnership with the institution in providing extension services to its community.

Representing ATI-RTC 13 was Fil Victor A. Babanto, Chief of the Information Services Section (ISS), who handed over the ICT equipment to Campomanes on behalf of OIC Center Director Jessie V. Beldia. The handover event was graced by the presence of witnesses namely Ivy Mae Francisco and Ms. Christine Baldovino, representing the Municipal Agriculture Office of San Miguel; Jason Paul Dads Jampac, MPS II of ATI-RTC 13; and Ms. Sophia Jadassah Moleta, ISS Staff of ATI-RTC 13.

Among the equipment that was turned over included a laptop, printer, projector, projector screen, and trolley-

type speaker. The infusion of ICT equipment in the LSA farm highlights ATI's commitment to amplifying the effectiveness of LSAs in providing training and other agricultural extension services to the farming community.





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