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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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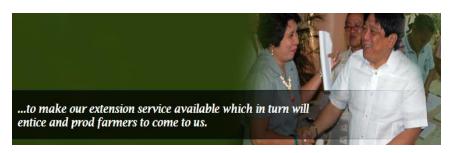
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foreword

For service, ATI-RTC 7 is made. Through service, it finds immense joy, let alone achieves a deepest sense of fulfillment.



Service is not a stepping stone to nobility. It is nobility.

This is the spirit ATI-RTC-7 takes on as it looks back to CY-2012 with fondness and in all objectivity if only to come up with answers to stark questions. How did ATI-RTC-7 fare in relation to its set targets in CY 2012? Was it able to deliver on its deliverables?

Thus, this Annual Report for CY-2012. Supported with empirical data and information, it puts to focus rushes of center's activities and accomplishment highlights, which by and large, have been geared up to support the Department of Agriculture's Food Staples Sufficiency Program.

Truly, ATI-RTC-7 is one with President Aquino as he stated on July 25, 2011 in his 2nd State of the Nation Address (SONA), the national policy on food staples in terms quite understandable to every farmer and stakeholder. To quote: "Ang gusto nating mangyari: Una, hindi na tayo aangkat ng hindi kailangan. Ikalawa, ayaw na nating umasa sa pag-aangkat. Ang isasaing ni Juan de la Cruz dito ipupunla, dito aanihin, dito bibilhin."

Definitely, CY-2012 was a fruitful year for ATI-RTC-7. As it celebrates the victories and successes, it acknowledges the collaboration and committed participation of development partners – the agricultural extension workers, farmers and fisherfolk – the raison d'etre of ATI's existence, DA-RFU-7 and other national government agencies, LGUs, SUCs, non-government and rural based organizations and private sectors based in Region 7.



The acrostic C-A-R-E shows four (4) key elements to such partnership: C-hallenges for development, they all rise up to; A-ffirmation of every development partner's value; R-espect that is mutually shared; and the E-ncouragement to press on and keep on keeping on "til the battle for food security and increasing the agricultural producers' income as the overarching goals of the agriculture and fisheries sectors is won in our agricultural and rural communities.



operating boundaries

Based at Cabawan
District, Tagbilaran City, the
Agricultural Training Institute
in Central Visayas is one of
the 16 Regional Training



Centers of the ATI Network. Its arena for action includes the Provinces of Bohol, Cebu, Negros Oriental and Siquijor.

In life, as in football, you won't go far unless you know where the goalposts are (Arnold H. Glasgow, American Humorist). Thus, as ATI-RTC 7 indefatigably pursues its broad mandate for Training and Extension, it sustainably keeps ablaze its Vision, Mission, and Goals.

Vision

A household name in Extension, Training & Knowledge Management in Central Visayas nurturing the Values of Service Excellence as we endeavor to significantly contribute to the realization of a desired scenario of productive, self-propelling and economically vibrant communities.

Mission

Indeed, we make life by what we give.....ATI-RTC 7 informs, trains, educates. We serve as knowledge broker, concerned as we are about getting the right knowledge to the right people at the right time. With God our strength and service our passion, we promote a culture of

learning for excellence in community-based agricultural resource management for the public deserves nothing less.

Agriculture and Fisheries Extension (AFE) Goals:

- . Enhance Access to AFE Products and Services:
- . Strengthen Competitiveness & Excellence of the AF Sector:
- . Expand Partnerships in Advancing Excellence in AFE Delivery:
- . Scale-up AFE Innovations:
- . Strengthen AFE Innovations:
- . Strengthen AFE Stakeholders' Capacity in Climate Change Adaptation & Readiness; &
- . Improve Enabling Environment and Quality Governance



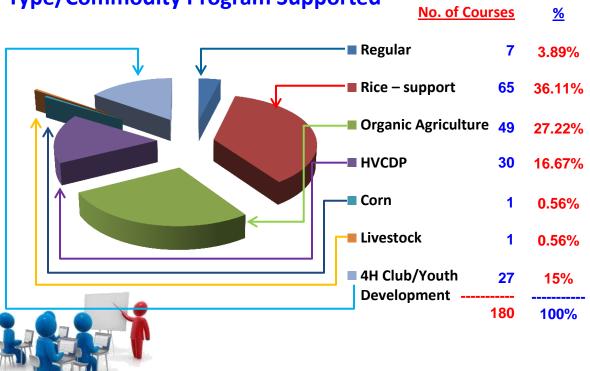
highlights of accomplishments

Training and Extension Support Activities

Basically, these hover around the conduct of relevant-training courses and training related activities (TRA), to support programs on rice, corn, high value crops, livestock, organic agriculture, on the whole DA's Food Staples Sufficiency Program. These are deliberately undertaken by ATI-RTC 7 to respond to its clientele's training and extension needs.

In 2012, the center was able to carry out 180 training and extension support activities to include two (2) carry-over training from 2011. A record high of 65 training courses and TRA (36.11%) were in support to the Rice Program. Organic Agriculture (OA) support courses and activities came in 2nd with 27.22%. Others were implemented to advance programs on HVCD (16.67%), 4H Club Youth Development (15.00%), Corn (0.56%), Livestock (0.56%). The seven (7) regular courses constituted 3.89% (Figure 1).







Total training expenditures in CY 2012 reached Php15,699,958.20. ATI-RTC-7 spent about Php14,973,058.20 even as other agencies as DA-RFU-7, PLGU-Bohol, and PAFC-Negros Oriental shared an aggregate total of Php726,900.00. The biggest chunk of Php6,751,080.02 went to rice which constituted 43% of total disbursements for training released that year. About Php3.1 M was spent for HVCDP courses. Organic Agriculture training expenses came to Php3.0 M (Figure 2). By all indications, DA's Food Staples Sufficiency Program is principally anchored on rice.

Figure 2. Training Costs Incurred by Course
Type/Program Supported



Table 1. Magnitude of Training Outputs in Number of Courses and Direct Costs Per Service Area ATI-RTC-7, CY 2013

MAJOR	TOTAL		BOHOL		CEBU		NEGROS OR.		SIQUIJOR		REGIONAL	
PROGRAMS	NOC	COST	NOC	COST	NOC	COST	NOC	COST	NOC	COST	NOC	COST
1 Regular	7	330,699.50	3	155,132.25	1	33,274.25	1	25,000.00	1	22,000.00	1	95,293.00
2 Rice	65	6,751,080.02	22	1,495,153.25	19	1,187,844.89	18	3,514,803.74	2	180,383.50	4	372,894.64
3 Corn	1	202,000.00	0	0	1	202,000.00	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 HVCDP	30	3,179,863.73	9	880,005.01	9	1,132,621.65	7	819,358.07	5	347,879.00	0	0
5 Organic Agric	49	3,087,056.09	24	1,721,953.12	15	746,022.72	6	461,756.75	4	157,323.50	0	0
6 Livestock	1	112,050.00	1	112,050.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 4-H/Youth Dev	27	2,037,208.86	6	199,420.96	3	201,232.10	5	242,008.00	4	186,715.44	9	1,207,832.36
TOTAL	180	15,699,958.20	65	4,563,714.59	48	3,502,995.61	37	5,062,926.56	16	894,301.44	14	1,676,020.00
Percent of Total 36.11% 29.07%			29.07%	26.67%	22.31%	20.56%	32.25%	8.89%	5.70%	7.78%	10.68%	

To disaggregate the number of courses and training-related activities per service area: the Province of Bohol had the most with 65 courses (36.11%); Province of Cebu with 48 courses (26.67%); Province of Negros Oriental with 37 (20.55%); and the Province of Siquijor with 16 (8.8%). Some 14 courses and other related activities (7.8%) had region-wide coverage and participation.

As regards direct training costs, the lion's share of Php5,062,926.56 (32.25%) was spent for Negros Oriental training and training-related activities. This is understandable as said Province implemented a Season-Long Training of Trainers on Rice which alone had a budget allocation of Php 3 M. Bohol had a share of Php4,563,714.59 (29.07%), ranked second in terms of budget share - spent budget. Other Provinces like: Cebu had Php3,502,995.61 (22.31%), Siquijor with Php 894,301.44 (5.69%), while regional courses were earmarked Php1,676,020 (10.67%).

Table 2. Magnitude of Training Outputs in Number of Participants By Program and Service Area, ATI-RTC-7, CY 2013

MAJOR	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS							
PROGRAMS	BOHOL	CEBU	NEGROS OR.	SIQUIJOR	REGIONAL	TOTAL		
1 Regular	68	37	21	36	25	187		
2 Rice	1,926	2,471	1,362	47	92	5,898		
3 Corn	0	34	0	0	0	34		
4 HVCDP	200	276	407	146	0	1,029		
5 Livestock	24	0	0	0	0	24		
6 Organic Agriculture	1,278	916	251	201	0	2,646		
7 4-H/Youth Dev't	170	76	227	132	430	1,035		
TOTAL	3,666	3,810	2,268	562	547	10,853		
% of Total	33.78%	35.11%	20.90%	5.18%	5.04%			

Some 10,853 individuals were served in ATI-RTC-7's Trainings and TRAs in CY 2012. Highest attendance of 5,898 individuals was recorded in the rice support courses and training-related activities. This is expected as the rice program had the biggest fund allocation during the year in review.

On the other hand, Cebu had the highest turn-out of participants with 3,810 individuals (35.11%) trained, followed by Bohol with 3,666 individuals (33.78%); Negros Oriental with 2,268 (20.9%); and Siquijor with 562 (5.18%).

Table 3. Gender Distribution of Participants By Program ATI-RTC-7, CY 2013

	MAJOR PROGRAMS	DISTRIBUTION OF PARTICIPANTS BY GENDER					
写引 》	WAJOR PROGRAWS	MALE	FEMALE	вотн			
WOMEN	1 Regular	99	88	187			
A \ \WOMEN	2 Rice	3,234	2,664	5,898			
	3 Corn	21	13	34			
7	4 HVCDP	443	586	1,029			
7 十八'	5 Livestock	10	14	24			
-	6 Organic Agriculture	1,105	1,541	2,646			
\ Ti 人	7 4-H/Youth Development	451	584	1,035			
MEN	TOTAL	5,363	5,490	10,853			
419) 1	% of Total	49.41%	50.59%				

The Center's 2012 training courses and other training-related activities were attended by 5,363 male and 5,490 female individuals. This indicates that women in the countryside are quite involved in agriculture that oftentimes attendance in agricultural trainings is left as women's contribution among others in the production sphere.

The farmers group still is the record holder of having the highest representation in ATI-RTC-7's training and training-related activities. Of the 10,853 participants trained in cy 2012, 5,517 (50.83%) were farmers. AEWs of LGUs came in a distant second with 1,920 individuals trained. Other clientele served were rural women, youths, fishers, differently abled persons, senior citizens, and representatives from other government agencies, non-government organizations and state universities and colleges.

Regional Training Programs

Regular Courses

Total human development is the ultimate goal of trainings for agricultural and rural development. Along this line, ATI-RTC 7 seeks to ensure that its training and extension activities will square point by point with participants' learning needs. The holding of Provincial Consultations on Rationalizing Agriculture and Fisheries Training and Extension Concerns as part of the center's regular activities is a step in said direction. Completing the list of regular trainings in CY 2012 are Appreciation Course on Climate Change and Organic Agriculture and Gender and Development Training for center personnel.

Seven (7) regular courses in all were conducted, three(3) more than targeted with 187 participants.

Commodity Training Programs

Training and Extension Support to the Rice Program



The harvest was great with 65 trainings and TRA supportive of the Rice Program. ATI-RTC 7 personnel had to muster all their strength, "Bawal Magkasakit", to match the demands of the workplace. The center with Ma. Erma F. Lucero as the Focal Person for rice was cited as having the highest number of activities programmed and executed in support to the

Rice Program. These encompassed Municipal-wide Technical Briefing and Teknokliniks, Training on Lowland Rice Seed Production With Community Seed Banking, Upland Rice Production Technology, Local Farmer Technician Training, , Reinforcement Courses on Rice, Basic ICT/Computer Literacy and AFE Data Management, and Season-long TOT on Integrated Lowland Rice cum PalayCheck. These courses served some 5,898 agricultural extension workers, farmers, rural women and others. Course particulars can be seen on Appendix 2.



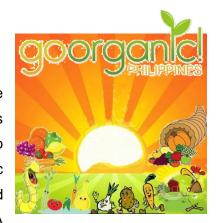
Training and Extension Support to the Corn Program

Truly better than having none at all, the Retooling Course on Corn IPM (Integrated Pest Management), the lone corn-support training for CY 2012 reeled off with 34 agricultural extension workers, farmers, and NGO-participants (Appendix 3)



Organic Agriculture Program – Courses And Extension Support Activities

The growing realization and appreciation of the advantages and benefits of organic farming among our farmers and health-conscious public impinges upon the center to continue to uphold more vigorously the country's Organic Agriculture Program thru the conduct of relevant trainings and training-related activities (TRA). About 49 trainings and TRA



were held last year which consisted of OA Appreciation Courses, Technical Briefings, OA, Health & Wellness Advocacy Fora, Internal Control System Training for Smallholder Groups participated in by some 2,645 farmers, agricultural extension workers, NGOs, POs and other stakeholders (Appendix 4).

Learning sites on Organic Agriculture were likewise established and managed centerbased and in selected areas of the region.



Training & Extension Support to High Value Crops Development



Whether short term or intensive, regardless of the duration, the 30 HVCDP support courses implemented in 2012 to include two (2) carry-over trainings for CY 2011 provided the venue and the forum for the discussion of appropriate production and

postharvest technologies on priority high value crops. To wit: Season-long FFS on Bulb Onion Production, Upland Vegetable Production, Jackfruit Production, TOTs on Rootcrops, Saba/Cardaba Banana, Coffee, Cacao and Soybeans and the 15-day Organic Vegetable Production Training which served on the aggregate 1,029 AEWs, farmers and other stakeholder-participants (Appendix 5).

Training and Extension Support to the Livestock Program



Training interventions for livestock ought to be many as these are highly demanded region-wide.. On the contrary, ATI-RTC-7 had one training only, i.e., Training Course on Livestock and Poultry With Emphasis on Disease Outbreak Investigation and

Management. Held in Bohol, this merited the attendance of 24 agricultural extension workers(Appendix 6).

Training & Extension Support to 4-H Youth Development Program



Investing in the youth is investing in our country's development. The youth – future farmers and future agriculturists. Enhancing their functional capabilities let alone cultivating their development-oriented perspectives is in order.

ATI-RTC-7 spent Php 1.3 M for the conduct of 16 courses and 11 related activities in support to 4-H Youth Development Program that reached out to 1,035 participants region-wide. Other development agencies cost-shared the amount of Php 689,400.00. Relevant courses on Organic Agriculture, Organizational Enhancement, Arts, Music, Poetry, Report Writing and Communication Skills, Youth Encampment were noteworthy. Regular Programming, Monitoring and Feedbacking Processes as RBO Consultations, Federation Officers Meetings, even as Provincial/Regional 4-H Program Assessment, among others, prove vital to the organization (Appendix 7).