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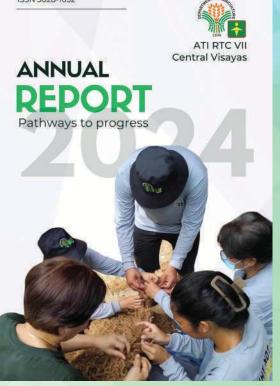
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#### **About the Cover**

"Pathways to Progress" highlights ATI in **Central Visayas' achievements, lessons** learned and strategic direction.

This report showcases our commitment to innovation, collaboration and sustainable growth that paved to LEADS (Learn, Exhibit, Advise, Disseminate and Support) our thematic programs of the institute.

Despite all the challenges that the region faced in 2024, the strong force of ATI-7 did not waver instead they hold strong and stand the test of time, hence, achieved our accomplishments.

# "Resilience is the backbone of progress"

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Message

Reflecting on the past year, we are proud to present the accomplishments that have shaped our journey, strengthened our organization, and propelled us toward our vision. The resilience, innovation, and dedication shown by our team have been the driving force behind our success, and we have made remarkable strides in achieving our goals.

In the face of challenges, we remained focused on our mission to deliver value, exceed expectations, and create a positive impact in the communities we serve. From launching new initiatives and expanding partnerships to improving our internal processes and systems, we have laid a strong foundation for continued growth and excellence.

This report highlights our key achievements, milestones, and lessons learned. Together, we've made progress, and as we look ahead to the future, we are inspired by the potential to achieve even greater things.

We extend our gratitude to every member of ATI-Central Visayas, our partners from the Department of Agriculture-Regional Field Office 7 family, Regional Management Council and AFRREDN member-agencies, Provincial, Municipal and City Local Government Units (LGUs) of Central Visayas, our Learning Sites for Agriculture (LSAs) and ESPs, Agricultural Extension Workers, Farmer Leaders, rural-based organizations, FCAs, Non-Government Organizations (NGOs), private sectors, clients, collaborators, and our stakeholders among others.

Your unwavering commitment and support have been instrumental in making this year successful.

We are also grateful to our National Directorate for providing us the direction and full support.

Most of all we always thank GOD for all of these.

Here's to another year of continued success, innovation, and collaboration.

Bfut Gracia F. Arado, PhD Center Director, ATI-RTC 7



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## VISION, MISSION, QUALITY **POLICY AND CORE VALUES**

The Agricultural Training Institute is the Catalyst Capacity Builder Knowledge Bank of the Philippine Agriculture and Fisheries extension system. The Agricultural Training Institute leads in the professionalization of the Philippine agricultural extension service towards food security and prosperity.

## Mission

Empowerment and building capacities of agriculture and fisheries stakeholders for sustainable development

## Vision

Food availability and affordability for every Filipino family through excellent extension services in agriculture and fisheries

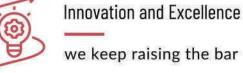
#### We, in ATI, are committed to uphold our core values, reiterated as follows:

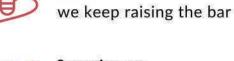
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**Customer Focus** we give the best









Commitment we serve with passion

**Resource Stewardship** 



we work with integrity and teamwork with passion

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### STRENGTHENING COMPETENCY AND COMPETITIVENESS THROUGH CAPABILITY BUILDING

LEARN focuses on the provision of training services. Its goal is to capacitate the agricultural extension workers, farmers, rural women, youth, and other stakeholders along the value chain to adopt innovative, sustainable, productive, and new techniques in social and production technologies for farming and fishing.





TI Central Visayas has successfully achieved its 2024 performance targets, demonstrating exceptional results across all areas of its operations.

These remarkable results reflect the institute's commitment to delivering high-quality agricultural training and services, contributing significantly to regional development.

Regular monitoring, evaluation, and continuous improvement have been key to achieving these targets, ensuring that ATI Central Visayas remains at the forefront of agricultural innovation and community support in the region.





## Regular

#### ATI-7 37th Anniversary Celebration

In its quest to actively commemorate the 37th Founding Anniversary of ATI and to also balance work with fun, the ATI in Central Visayas held a one-day Sportsfest on February 29, 2024, at the institute's complex.

#### **Management Reviews and Annual Performance Activities**

The 2023 Annual Performance Review and FY 2024 Operational Planning session, themed "Enhancing Organizational Excellence", was held from February 6-8, 2024 at Bohol Bee Farm, Dauis, Bohol. The goal of this annual event was to evaluate the effective implementation of ATI interventions within the region.

It provided a platform for reviewing operational procedures, with an emphasis on maximizing the utilization of resources to achieve organizational goals and improve service delivery.

Additionaly, in line with our commitment to continuous improvement and alignment with ISO 9001:2015 standards, two Management Reviews were conducted in 2024.

The reviews took place on July 2-5, 2024 at E.I. Suites, Siguijor, Siguijor and December 9-11, 2024 at Marilou Resort, Panglao Island, Bohol.

These reviews assessed the performance of the institute, identified key areas for improvement, and ensured that the organization's strategies were in full alignment with ISO 9001:2015 requirements.

#### ISO-Related/Internal Quality Audit Activities

Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) in Central Visayas conducted two internal quality audits to ensure continued compliance with ISO 9001:2015 standards:

- First Semester Audit: June 6-7, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City
- Second Semester Audit: November 7-8, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Tagbilaran City

These audits were integral to maintaining the effectiveness of the institute's Quality Management System (QMS) and ensuring that all processes and operations align with ISO 9001:2015 requirements.

The audits assessed the current systems, identified areas for improvement, and reinforced ATI's commitment to upholding the highest standards of quality and service.

#### Agritalk

In 2024, ATI Central Visayas successfully launched a monthly Agritalk series on Facebook Live, attracting a total of 600 online registrants. The initiative provided a platform for interactive discussions on various agricultural topics, reaching a wide audience and fostering knowledge sharing.

The following topics were featured during the Agritalk sessions:

- ATI Programs and Services
- Updates on the Corn Program
- Common Goat Diseases and Their Management
- Philippine Good Agricultural Practices (GAP)
- The Philippine Cacao Industry
- Philippine Agriculturist Month
- Mushroom Production and Management
- Ornamental Propagation and Management
- Biological Pest Control for Vegetable Crops
- JADAM Technology and its Application
- Learning Sites for Agriculture (LSA)

These sessions were designed to equip participants with valuable insights and practical knowledge to enhance agricultural practices and support the development of sustainable farming across the region.

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#### Summit

The Agri-Leaders' Summit, held on November 21-22, 2024, at Elizabeth Hotel in Cebu City, was indeed a groundbreaking event, bringing together 48 municipal and provincial agriculturists under the theme "Empowering Municipal Agriculture."

This summit was a collaborative effort among various partner agencies in the region, all under the umbrella of the Department of Agriculture. Consultation



The Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) Region 7 conducted four harmonization meetings and planning sessions, engaging 122 participants from provincial local government units and key stakeholders across four island provinces:

- Tagbilaran City (January 17, 2024)
- Dumaguete City (February 15-16, 2024)
- Maria, Siguijor (March 12-13, 2024)
- Cebu Province (June 28, 2024, via Google Meet)

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Additionally, a Regional Consultation (March 22, 2024, ATI-7 Training Complex) gathered 27 Rural Based Organization representatives, fostering inclusive dialogue and grassroots perspectives.

Meanwhile, a Consultative Meeting/Planning Workshop among Agriculture and Fisheries Resources, Research and Extension for Development Network (AFRREDN) was conducted on November 5-6, 2024 at Crown Regency Hotel and Suites, Osmeña Boulevard, Cebu City with 25 participants.



Meeting and MOU Signing

The Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) Region 7 conducted two Council Meetings for Extension Service Providers (ESP) in Bohol Province (March 12-14, 2024) and Cebu Province (July 15-16, 2024).

Twenty partners attended these strategic gatherings.

Meanwhile, the Association of Bohol Cacao Producers (ABCaP) Annual General Membership Meeting on March 8, 2024 at the Agricultural Promotion Center, Tagbilaran City, Bohol was attended by 70 participants.

BhAFIB 2nd Quarter Meeting cum Validation of Competency Standards for Vegetable Seed Production PQF Level III held on June 27-28, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7 Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 21 attendees. Moreover, ATI-7 and the Central Visayas Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development Consortium (CVAARRDEC) held a Memorandum of Understanding Signing last September 16, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City with 15 participants present.

#### Technical Briefing in Support to EPAHP

Three (3) batches of Technical Briefing on Chicken Production and Management was conducted in support to the Enhanced Partnership Against Hunger and Poverty (EPAHP). These briefings were conducted in Poro, Camotes Island in Cebu from July 16-18, 2024 with 61 farmers attending.

#### Training

Project Proposal Development Training was held last February 26 to March 1, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City with 20 participants.

Age Gracefully: A Health and Wellness Training for Senior Citizens was conducted last March 6-8, 2024 at the Technology and Livelihood Development Center, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental with 20 senior citizens attending.





Designing your Training the Simple Way was held last April 23-25, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 20 participants trained.

Empowering Excellence: Training on IEC Development conducted on April 23-25, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City had 20 participants.

Nurturing Hope, Harvesting Joy: Training Vegetable Production for Differently-Abled Person conducted last April 23-25, 2024 at Siaton, Negros Oriental trained 20 participants.

Response to Agricultural Machineries Wear and Tear: A Training on Troubleshooting was conducted last April 29 to May 1, 2024 at Claudia and Sam's Place, Calape, Bohol with 21 participants.

The 4H Youth Bootcamp on Agristorytelling was held on May 29-31, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 22 attendees.

Training on Transforming Communities through Community Organizing was also held on June 4-6, 2024 at ATI-7 Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 20 participants.

Bambooing for the Youth: Appreciation Course on Bamboo Production conducted on June 19-20, 2024 was held at Asturias, Cebu with 70 participants.

Agripreneurship Training Program for Magsasaka Siyentista (MS) conducted last July 23-25, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District Tagbilaran City, Bohol had 22 participants.

Basic Agricultural Extension Course Training: A Must for Newly-Hired AEWs held on August 14-23, 2024 at ATI RTC 7, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 21 attendees.

Strengthening the Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) System and Practice in LGUs for Better Governance: A Coaching Session was conducted last August 27-29, 2024 at ATI-RTC7 Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City with 21 participants.





Basic Food Safety Training held on September 16, 2024 at Tagbilaran City had 23 participants composed of returnee oversees workers.

Training Management Skills Enhancement Course conducted on November 19-21, 2024 at Alta Bohol Garden Resort and Convention Center, Baclayon, Bohol with 40 participants.

Supervisory Skills Enhancement Training for the Agricultural Development Program Manager in the Visayas Islands held on December 4-6, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 24 participants.



## Rice

The Rice Program of ATI in Central Visayas had 29 activities with 1,008 clients served composed of agricultural extension workers, farmers, local farmer technician, farmer-leaders, seed growers, and learning site for agriculture cooperators.

Of these total numbers of activities, it has been implemented accordingly:

#### Training

Capability Enhancement Course on Rice Crop Establishment using Mechanical Transplanter for Farmer-Leaders on May 7-9, 2024 at Labonite Integrated Farm, San Isidro, Pilar, Bohol with 30 participants.

Regional Rollout on the Use of Outcome-based Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL) Tool at Cugon Bamboo Resort, Pangalaycayan,

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Bindoy Negros Oriental on May 14-16, 2024 with 23 participants.

Training on Rice Production Technologies thru PalayCheck System at Isabelos Inn Southern Poblacion, San Francisco, Cebu with 30 participants last June 4-6, 2024.

Technology Forum and Assessment Workshop for Local Farmers Technicians (LFTs) - ( in lieu to Training on Water Conservation & Management) last June 18-20, 2024 at Panda Tea Garden Suites, Dao District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 64 participants.

Two (2) Batches of Gender-based Training Course on Integrated Rice-Based Farming System last July 9-11, 2024 at E.I. Suites, Población, Siguijor and on August 13-15, 2024 at KAM-V3 Eco Park and Pool, Zamora, Bilar, Bohol. A total of 61 participants trained.

**Retooling Course on Soil Health** Management and Soil Sampling at Eastland Hotel and Residences, Cebu City, Cebu with 28 participants last July 22-26, 2024.

Training of Trainers on Agro Enterprise Clustering Development last August 5-9, 2024 at Eastland Hotel and Residences, Cebu City, Cebu with 27 participants.

Meanwhile, two (2) untargeted training were also conducted last August 30, 2024 at JJ's Seafood Village, K of C Drive, Gallares Street, Tagbilaran City, the Scholarship Assessment and Culminating Activity for



EASY AGRI Batch 1 dubbed as Excellence in Focus.

Two (2) Batches of Training on Rice-based Enterprise Development last September 3-5, 2024 at Labonite Integrated Farm, San Isidro, Pilar, Bohol and Cugon Bamboo Resort - Pangalaycayan, Bindoy, Negros Oriental last September 17-19, 2024 with a total participants of 55.

Training on Construction Supervision for Agricultural Infrastructure last September 23-27, 2024 at Eastland Hotel and Residences, Cebu City, Cebu with 30 participants.

Training on the Site Suitability Mapping for Cold Storage Facilities for Selected Agri-Fishery Products using Geographic Information System and Analytical Hierarchy Process last October 21-25, 2024 at Golden Prince Hotel and Suites, Cebu City with 26 participants.

Also, the Regional Consultation for the Development of Extension and Training Roadmap for Ubi last October 22-24, 2024 at Bohol Bee Farm, Dauis, Bohol with 28 participants attending.





#### Collaborative

Under Collaboration, a Coaching and Critiquing of the Municipal Agriculture and Fisheries Development Plan (MAFDP) was conducted last September 3-4, 2024 at Panda Tea Garden and Suites, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 46 participants.

Moreover, three (3) Batches of Annual



Performance Recap and Planning for Success in the provinces of Bohol last December 2-3, 2024 at Bohol Farm, Dauis, Bohol; in Siguijor last December 12-13, 2024 at A&A Diversified Farm, Lazi, Siguijor and in Negros Oriental last December 17-18, 2024 held at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Multipurpose Hall, Capitol Area, Dumaguete City. A total of 90 stakeholders participated in said activities.

#### Workshop

Two (2) Workshops dubbed as Managing Our Desired Future: Workshop on the Crafting of the Agriculture and Fishery Modernization Plans (AFMPs) for Local Government Units held at Siera Hotel, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental last May 27-29, 2024, and at Siguijor, Siguijor last June 19-21, 2024 with a total of 101 participants attending.



#### **Midyear Progress**

Three (3) Midyear Progress Check and Strategy Refinement Sessions were conducted at Bohol Bee Farm, Dao, Dauis, Bohol on October 9-10, 2024; at Royal Suites, Dumaguete City last October 14-15, 2024 and at El Pergentina, Siquijor, Siquijor on October 28-29, 2024 with a total of 99 participants attending.

#### **Digital Agriculture**

The region's numerous digital agriculture projects have benefited greatly from our collaboration with the Smart Group Corporate Communications-VisMin team.

Through this partnership, we were able to successfully train Foodlink and CREMDEC's farmers, getting them ready to embrace contemporary farming technologies. We gave participants the tools they needed to incorporate digital agricultural solutions into their own farming practices through these training workshops.

Furthermore, as part of this solid collaboration, Smart Group Corporate Communications-VisMin financed a FarmTech package that was given to farmers in Carmen, Cebu, which was a major step in equipping local farmers with cutting-edge agricultural equipment.

This sponsorship is a prime example of Smart VisMin's dedication to promoting sustainable practices and helping agricultural communities.

Moreover, the rollout of our graduates from the

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Digital Farmers' Program (DFP) has been an exciting development, as these trained individuals are now actively contributing to the growth and transformation of the agricultural sector.

Through this continuous collaboration, we are not only bridging the digital divide but also creating lasting impact in communities, ensuring that farmers have the skills and resources to thrive in the modern agricultural landscape.

#### **DFP-Farm Tech**

The center was able to conduct two (2) Phases of the Smart Agriculture Technologies (SATs) - DFP 101 and 102 at Escosas Resort and Events Place, Amlan, Negros Oriental last June 25-27, 2024 and July 17-19, 2024 respectively. A total of 30 participants for each phase underwent said activity.

Another Training of Trainers on Digital Farmers' Program-Package of Technology at Don Alberto's Farm, Matin-ao, Carmen, Bohol with 25 farmer-members of Matin-ao United Farmers' Association (MUFA) as participants.

Meanwhile, one (1) Digital Farmers' Program-Farm Connect at Carcar Eco Farm Resort, Carcar City, Cebu last July 9-11, 2024 with 30 members of Integrated Carcar Rice Irrigators Association (ICRIA) as participants.

#### Other AF

A one-day Technical Briefing on Rice Crop Manager (RCM) was held at Pilar, Bohol with 50 farmers last May 2, 2024.

Meanwhile, ATI in Central Visayas with the support of the multi-stakeholders and partners from regional line agencies, conducted the National Rice Awareness Month 2024 which





kicked-off last November 5, 2024 at National Food Authority Covered Court, Tagbilaran City with 30 participants.



# Organic Agriculture

The most notable accomplishment of the center's Organic Agriculture Program (OAP) is the certification of 10 farmers who have received their participatory organic certificate coming from two PGS groups namely Organic Agriculture Practitioner Association from City of Naga, Cebu, and the other one is from the PESTALES Agriculture Cooperative from Argao, Cebu.

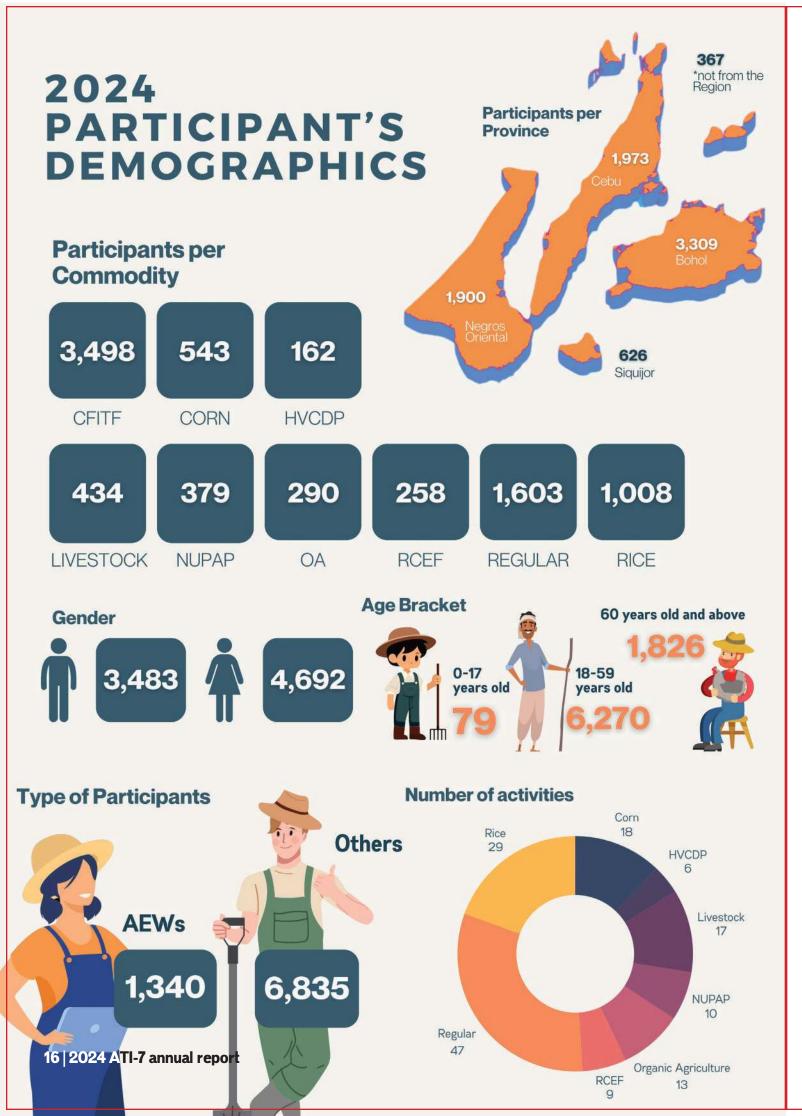
These two groups are now preparing for the accreditation process to become Organic Certifying Body (OCB). Their certification is a significant milestone within the organic agriculture program as this will add to the pool of certified farmers who are essential in the increased organic production in the region.

Another highlight of accomplishment for OAP is the graduation of Youth Internship Program on Organic Agriculture (YIPOA) Batch 1 interns on December 2024. There were 8 interns from the batch 1 who were able to implement their respective plans.

One of the significant accomplishments for batch 1 is that one intern was able to earn more than 1.5 million pesos.

Kyle Torreon, our millionaire intern said that, "As a new agripreneur, the lack of knowledge in farming and access to capital was truly a challenge. The YIPOA became a channel of blessings, enabling me to start my plans by providing us with the proper knowledge in farming and the necessary capital for my business. This has now become my livelihood."





Currently, nine youth for YIPOA Batch 2 have successfully hurdled the 9-month on-farm internship and defended their proposed business canvas in preparation for their 12-month enterprise implementation.

#### Summit/Congress

ATI-7 Staff attended to the 8th Regional Organic Agriculture Congress last August 7-8, 2024 at Sarrosa International Hotel, Cebu City, with two (2) participants from the center.

Moreover, participation in the 1st International Participatory Guarantee System Summit held at Seda Vertis North, Astra corner Lux Drives, Vertis North,



Quezon City last November 26-28, 2024 with two (2) representatives.

#### Training

There are two (2) batches of Training of Trainers on Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) were held last April 15-24, 2024 at Negros Oriental Convention Center, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental with 24 participants and on July 22-31, 2024 at Eastland Hotel and Residences, Cebu City, Cebu with 25 participants.

The Gender-Based Training on level-Up: Capability

Training for Technical Personnel in Organic Agriculture (OA) in the Local Government Units (LGUs) was conducted last May 27-31, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 30 participants.

The Training on Drafting the Business/ Enterprise Proposals last August 28-30, 2024 at ATI RTC 7 Office, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol had 21 participants.



The training for Certified PGS Towards Accreditation as Organic Certifying Body (OCB) took place from December 2 to 6, 2024, at PESTALES Agriculture Cooperative Integrated—Diversified Farm, Jampang, Argao, Cebu, with 26 organic practitioners attending.

#### Other AF

Organic Agriculture (OA) Information Caravan at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol last January 29, 2024 with 21 participants.

Inter-Agency Consultation toward Understanding Agriculture and Fisheries Extension (AFE) Needs last August 28, 2024 Via Google Meet with 30 participants joining.

> Kyle B. Torreon, a 25-year-old farmer from Ubay, Bohol, exemplifies that the grass is indeed greener where you water it.

A graduate of the Youth Internship Program on Organic Agriculture (YIPOA), Kyle has transformed his farm with sustainable practices.

His Dairy Buffalo Production venture, funded by a 150,000 pess VIPOA grant, has expanded his farm's profitability and impact. Kyle's journey from being a commerce graduate to organic farming advocate highlights the boundless opportunities in agriculture for passionate young minds.

Kyle B. Torreon Central Visayas



Highlighting the OA Month Celebration was the Kabataang Regional OA Quiz Bee and Organic Agriculture Festival at Bohol Island State University-Bilar Campus last October 25, 2024 and at ICM Tagbilaran City, Bohol last November 21, 2024 with 50 participants.

#### **Beyond Targets**

Three (3) other activities were conducted beyond targets. These were the Youth Internship on Organic Agriculture Program (YIPOA) Orientation last June 5, 2024 at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 25 participants attending.

Organic Agriculture Seminar on Seed Banking for Heirloom Seeds, which was held on October 28, 2024, at ATI-7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, with 17 participants.

YIPOA Culmination Activity and Presentation of Business/Enterprise Plan last December 12-13, 2024 at Bohol Bee Farm, Dauis, Bohol with 17 participants.

# Livestock

The livestock program of ATI in Central Visayas had 11 activities conducted, and 434 participants were trained. Majority of the training courses were season-long ranging from 12 to 20 days or more.

#### **Other Performance Review**

Agricultural Training Institute - National Livestock Program (ATI - NLP) Standardization of Competency-Based Curriculum and Planning Workshop for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 was conducted last May 13-17, 2024 at Lamac, Pinamungajan, Cebu with 38 attendees.

#### Training

Basic Training Course on Pig Husbandry conducted last March 25-27, 2024 at the Municipal Agriculture Office, Amlan, Negros Oriental with 28 participants attending.

Knowledge-based Management Training on Monitoring and Evaluation for Livestock Technicians held last April 16-18, 2024 at the Sierra Hotel, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental with 22 participants trained.

Basic Training Course on Artificial Insemination and Pregnancy Diagnosis for Large Ruminants held last May 6-25, 2024 at the Ubay Stock Farm, Lomangog, Ubay, Bohol, 12 participants attended the said activity.

Training of Trainers on Scaling up the KBGAN iHEALTH and iFEED Mobile apps for Improved Animal Health and Feeding Management conducted last May 7-9, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 24 participants attended.

Training on Free-range Chicken Production and Management for the Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Beneficiaries held at Egay's





Integrated and Organic Farm, Bingag, Dauis, Bohol last May 8-10, 2024 with 25 participants.

Training on Native Cattle Production and Management for the Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED) Beneficiaries conducted last May 21-23, 2024 at Sac-sac, Manjuyod, Negros Oriental with 25 attendees.

Two (2) Batches of Training on Disease Surveillance, Monitoring, and Sample Collection conducted last June 6-5, 2024 ATI-RTC VII Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol and on June 19-21, 2024 at Sierra Hotel, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental which trained a total of 51 participants.

Training on Forage and Pasture Establishment and Management conducted last June 19-21, 2024 at Hotel Eight-Fifty, Ipil, Jagna, Bohol with 27 participants completing the activity.

Training on Cattle Fattening Operation held last July 19-21, 2024 at ATI-RTC VII Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol, 25 participants completed the said training.

Livestock Economic Enterprise Development (LEED): Goat Fattening Production Training held last July 30-August 1, 2024 at Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental, 24 participants were trained. Basic Meat Inspection Training Course held at NMIS Conference Hall, Maguikay, Mandaue City, Cebu last August 5-30, 2024 with 19 participants who completed the course.

Training on Broiler & Layer Production conducted last September 24-26, 2024 at Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental with 31 attendees.

Training on Feed Formulation Using Local Materials for Chicken and Hogs (Feeding Within Your Reach: Gender-Based Feeds Production for Better Nutrition) held last September 24-26, 2024 at Egay's Farm Integrated Organic Farm, Purok 2B, Brgy. Bingag, Dauis, Bohol with 31 attendees.

Advance Training Course on Large Ruminant Artificial Insemination (AI) and Pregnancy Diagnosis (PD) was conducted last October 7-25, 2024 at Ubay Stock Farm, Lomangog, Ubay, Bohol with 12 participants attending.

#### **Beyond Target**

Training on Feed Formulation for Swine Production held last October 8-10, 2024 at La Limar Beach Resort, La Libertad, Negros Oriental with 40 participants.









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# Corn

The Corn Program of the ATI in Central Visavas was applauded for its physical and financial implementation.

A total of 18 targets were conducted and 524 individuals trained. Among the activities/ trainings conducted are as follows:

#### **Farmer Field School**

Fifteen batches of the four-month Farmers' Field School on Corn Production were conducted from May to September/October 2024 with 472 corn-farmers trained. The areas where the FFS-Corn was conducted were at Brgy. Montesuerte, Carmen, Bohol; Brgy. Looc, San Remigio, Cebu; Brgy. Campo, San Francisco, Camotes Island, Cebu; Brgy. San Isidro, Balilihan, Bohol; Ong State, Brgy. San Francisco, Ubay, Bohol; Brgy, Valencia, Alegria, Cebu; Brgy. Guinacot, Danao City, Cebu; Poblacion, San Miguel, Bohol; Brgy. Paniabonan, Mabinay, Negros Oriental; Sitio Caican, Brgy. Cawitan, Santa Catalina, Negros Oriental; Sitio Abaca, Brgy. Sab-ahan, Bais City, Negros Oriental; Sitio Mohon, Brgy. Guadalupe, City of Bogo, Cebu; Brgy. Cangasa, Siquijor, Siquijor; Sitio Guimbothan, Brgy. Cabagakian, Dimiao, Bohol; and Brgy. Sta. Rita, Poro, Camotes Island, Cebu.

#### Training

**Refresher Course for Farmer Scientists** conducted on March 12-14, 2024 & Farmer-Scientists Training Program Phase III implemented last May to September 2024 at Brgy. Marawis, Valencia, Bohol with 22 farmerscientists graduated.

Mag FFS Tayo: Training of Trainers on Corn Production and Management Phase I and Phase II last March 18-27, 2024 at ATI-RTC VII Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 30 participants attending.

# **High Value Crop Development Program (HVCDP)**

#### Training

There were five (5) trainings conducted under HVCDP, to wit: Boosting Farming through Climate-Smart Agriculture: Training of Trainers on Off-season Vegetable Production with Emphasis on GAP conducted last April 22-26, 2024 at Iyaah Ecofarm, San Isidro, Tagbilaran City with 32 attendees.

Before clutching the Bean to Bar Business: A training of Trainers on Cacao Post-Harvest Processing was conducted last May 6-10, 2024, at Hidden Valley Mountain Resort, Lamac, Pinamungahan, Cebu, with 29 participants attending.

Be Amazed with Bambooing: Gender-based Training on Sustainable Bamboo Production and Enterprise held last June 25-27, 2024 at Lamac Cocohub, Colonia, Mohon, Tuburan, Cebu with 26 participants trained.

Orchard Restoration: Refresher Course on Mango Rehabilitation held on July 23-25, 2024 at E.I Suites Poblacion, Siguijor, Siguijor with 29 attendees.

**Boosting Farming through Climate-Smart** Agriculture: A Webinar on Edible Landscaping and Off-season Vegetable Production held last December 17-19, 2024 via via Google Meet Teleconferencing with 26 participants attending

#### Other AF

One (1) Technical Briefing on Nursery **Establishment and Protective Culture in** Vegetable Production in support to Climate Resilient Agriculture (CRA) Community was conducted last August 27, 2024 at the ABC Hall, Calape, Bohol with 20 attendees.





# **Rice Competitivenes Enhancement Fund** (RCEF)

In its final year of implementation, RCEF accomplished activities in the region include the following:

#### Consultation

Inter-Agency Consultation toward Understanding Agriculture and Fisheries Extension (AFE) Needs conducted via google meet and attended by 30 participants last August 28, 2024.

#### Training

Two (2) Batches of the Digital Agriculture Course for RCEF conducted last February 21-23, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City and at E.I. Suites, Siguijor, Siguijor last March 12-14, 2024 with a total of 60 participants trained respectively.









Certification for Seed Growers was held last March 5-7, 2024 at Labonite Integrated Farm, San Isidro, Pilar, Bohol with 31 attendees.

Training Course on Seed Testing for Seed Analyst conducted on March 20-22, 2024 at Eastland Hotel and Residences, Cebu City, Cebu with 16 participants trained.

Two (2) Batches of Training of Trainers on the Production of High-Quality Inbred Rice, Seed Certification, and Farm Mechanization were conducted at Labonite Integrated Farm - San Isidro Pilar, Bohol last April 15-26 and May 20-31, 2024 with a total of 66 participants attended.

Two (2) Batches of the Training of Trainers on Farm Business School for Rice-based Enterprises held last September 3-12, 2024 at Pachecos Inn, Poblacion, Ubay, Bohol and on October 15-24, 2024 at Manhattan Suites Inn, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental with a total of 58 attendees respectively.



# **Coconut Farmers and Industry Trust Fund** (CFITF)

The ATI in Central Visayas' personnel have been busy accomplishing all the CFITF activities in addition to their usual targets.

#### **Performance Review**

Two (2) activities conducted by the center, one is Enhancing Organizational Excellence: FY2023 Annual Performance Review & FY2024 Operational Planning at Bohol Bee Farm, Dao, Dauis, Bohol, last February 6-8, 2024. The other is the FY 2024 Midyear Performance Review at E.I. Suites, Siguijor, Siguijor last July 2-3, 2024. A total of 50 participants attended.

#### Training

A total of 65 participants trained for the three (3) trainings conducted under CFITF. These were Empowering Agriculture, Cultivating Success with Coco-Business: Training of Trainers on Farm Business School last May 20-31, 2024 at Lamac Cocohub, Mohon, Colonia, Tuburan, Cebu; Training of Trainers on Production of Coconut Products and By-Products last July 08-17, 2024 at Amparitas Integrated Nature Farm, Hinatuan, Surigao Del Sur and Coconut to Creations: VCO Processing and Beyond last October 22-24, 2024 at Esperanza, Pilar, Cebu.

#### School-on-the-Air (SOA)

A month-long School-On-The-Air (SOA) on the Coconut Farmers Industry Development Program (CFIDP) was conducted over 91.3 Ka Alegre FM, Alegria, Cebu which aired from September 4 to October 1, 2024, with a total graduates of 500 NCFRS-registered farmers from the Municipalities of Alegria, Badian, Moalboal, and Samboan in the Province of Cebu. The graduation activity was held at Alegria Sports Complex, Alegria Cebu.

**Other AF** Four (4) major agriculture and fishery activities conducted include a total of 522 individuals attended, to wit: One (1) batch each of Feed backing Results of the CFIDP Training Needs (TNA) Level 1 and 2 last April 17 and May 8, 2024; Two (2) batches of the Regional Inter-Agency Technical Committee (RIATC) Meeting conducted last April 17, 2024 in Bohol and on July 24, 2024 at Cebu City respectively; COCOnvergence of Stakeholders Towards Sustainability of the Philippine Coconut Industry": Featuring CFIDP Progress and Technology Showcase last August 24, 2024 at Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental; and Regional CFIDP Coordination Meeting at Camridge, Jagna, Bohol last September 2, 2024.

Six (6) Batches of CFIDP Information Caravans were conducted in the region ranging from March 06, 2024, at Talibon, Bohol; at Carmen, Bohol on March 31, 2024; at Catmon, Cebu on June 18, 2024; Tudela, Camotes Island, Cebu on June 20, 2024; at San Juan, Siguijor on June 25, 2024; at Lalimar Resort, La Libertad, Negros Oriental on June 27, 2024 and at Bais City, Negros Oriental on June 28, 2024. A total of 580 NCFRS registered farmers attended.



#### **Collaborative Training**

Three (3) batches of Training on Native Cattle Production and Management conducted by the center last March 19-21, 2024 at Egay's Integrated and Organic Farm, Bingag, Dauis, Bohol; at Larena Parish (Marrian Hall), Larena, Siquijor on March 25-27, 2024 and at Sierra Hotel, Brgy. Piapi, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental last June 24-26, 2024. A total of 86 livestock coco-farmers trained.

Five (5) batches of Sikwatehan sa Kalubihan: Training on Coconut-Cacao Farming Systems conducted last March 19-21, 2024 at ATI-RTC 7 Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol; April 24-26, 2024 at Lamac Coco-Hub, Tuburan, Cebu; May 6-8, 2024 at La Limar, Brgy. San Jose, La Libertad, Negros Oriental; September 3-5, 2024 at El Pergentina, Siquijor, Siquijor; and September 17-19 at GSSDC Function Hall, 2nd floor Old Public Market, Poblacion, Guihulngan City, Negros Oriental. A total of 156 participants trained.

Five (5) batches of Training on Coconut Production and Management March 20-22, 2024 at Brgy. Cayang, Bogo City, Cebu; April 3-5, 2024 at E.I. Suites Poblacion, Siquijor, Siquijor; May 15-17, 2024 at Melania's Garden, Tanjay, Negros Oriental; November 12-14, 2024 at ATI-RTC VII Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol and November 13-15, 2024 at Melanias Garden, Tanjay City, Negros Oriental. A total of 149 participants trained.

Meanwhile, a total of 82 coco-farmers trained on the three (3) batches of Training on Native Chicken Production and Management held at Silliman University Training Center, Dumaguete City last April 10-12, 2024 and at ATI-7 Training Complex, Tagbilaran City last May 20-22, 2024 respectively and at Gazebo de LOONdon Eco Farm, Purok 3, Basak, Loon, Bohol last December 23-24, 2024.

Two (2) Phases of Training on Production of Other Non-Food Products were conducted at Caitican, Siquijor, Siquijor on May 5-9, 2024 and June 19-21, 2024 respectively with 60 participants trained.





Three (3) Batches of Let's Do CocoHybrid: Training on Coconut Hybrid Production conducted, to wit: Escosas Resort and Events Place, Amlan, Negros Oriental on June 3-5, 2024; Romero Agricultural Farm, Población, Ibabao, Loay, Bohol on July 23-25, 2024; and Melanias Garden, Tanjay City, Negros Oriental on August 6-8, 2024 with a total of 89 participants trained.

Three (3) batches of Training on Basic Dairy Husbandry for Cattle with inputs on Module 7-14 were conducted at San Pascual and Katarungan, Ubay, Bohol last June 18-July 17, 2024 with 22 participants; at Zamboanguita, Negros Oriental last July 2-August 15, 2024 with 12 attendees; and at Dap-dap, Compostela, Cebu last July 31-August 30, 2024 with 21 participants respectively.

Three (3) batches conducted on Enhancing the Technical Capability of the Coconut Farmer's Beneficiaries on the Operation and Management of the CFIDP- Shared Processing Facilities: Training on Production of Coconut Products and By-Products at Southview Hotel, Dumaguete City last July 15-19, 2024 with 28 attendees; at ATI-RTC 7 Complex, Tagbilaran City last August 12-16, 2024 with 30 attendees; and on August 26-30, 2024 at NIA-7 Dao District, Tagbilaran City with 18 participants.

Three (3) batches of Training on Native Pig Production and Management were conducted at the ATI-RTC VII Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol last July 24-26, 2024; August 6-8, 2024 and August 13-15, 2024 respectively. Meanwhile, one batch was conducted at Sierra Hotel, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental last July 16-17, 2024. A total of 116 coco-farmers attended.

Moreover, two (2) training on Food Safety were conducted. One, with Market Regulations at Golden Prince Hotel, Cebu City last August 8, 2024 with 31 participants, while the other is on Good Manufacturing Practices at CTU-Carmen, Cebu last November 12, 2024 with 50 participants attended.

Three (3) batches of the Training on Native Goat Production and Management were conducted at Ocean View Farm and Cottages, Olang, Maria, Siquijor last August 14-16, 2024 and at Escosas Resorts and Events Place, Tandayag, Amlan,



Negros Oriental on September 10-12 and September 17-19, 2024 respectively. A total of 67 coco-farmers trained.

Four (4) batches of Empowering Agriculture, Cultivating Success with Coco-Business: Season-long Training on Farm Business School for Coconut were conducted, to wit: From August 20 to November 25, 2024 at Lamac Coco-Hub, Tuburan, Cebu with 20 attendees; from September 6 to November 27, 2024 at



Población, Corella, Bohol with 24 attendees as well as at Población, Pamplona, Negros Oriental with 20 attendees respectively; and from September 11 to November 29, 2024 at Marrian Hall, Población, Pamplona, Negros Oriental with 23 attendees.

Kapehan sa Kalubihan: Training on Coconut-Coffee Farming System was also conducted last September 10-12, 2024 at Guihulngan City, Negros Oriental with 32 attendees.

Also, two (2) batches of Training on Cacao Rehabilitation, Postharvest Operations, and Crop Maintenance conducted: a) Pacheco's Inn, Población, Ubay, Bohol last September 17-19, 2024 with 22 participants, and at b) Lamac CocoHub, Mohon, Colonia, Tuburan, Cebu last September 25-27, 2024 with 29 attendees.

Three (3) Training on Nursery Establishment, Management and Accreditation for Coconut, Cacao and Coffee were conducted, to wit: a) October 15-17, 2024 at Pacheco's Inn, Poblacion, Ubay, Bohol; b) October 28-30, 2024 at Lamac Cocohub, Mohon, Colonia, Tuburan, Cebu and on November 19-21, 2024 at Jainie's Place, Bayawan City, Negros Oriental. A total of 95 coco-farmers attended.

A Selling Skills Seminar was also conducted at Gazebo de LOONdon, Loon, Bohol last November 22, 2024 with 25 participants attended.

A Skills Training on Coconut Shell Handicraft cum Business 101 was conducted at Lamac Multi-Purpose Cooperative, Tuburan, Cebu last November 27-29, 2024 with 25 coco farmer attendees.



Finally, two (2) Batches of Bakahan sa Kalubihan: Training on Native Cattle Production last December 17-18, 2024 at Mabini, Bohol and on December 18-19, 2024 at Trinidad, Bohol with a total 40 coco-farmers participated.

#### **Community Connect**

Various activities were conducted for the Community Link: Adopt an FCA Project from Food Safety cum Product Testing on June 24-26, 204 at Loon, Bohol/ATI 7 Training Complex, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol; Organizational and Institutional Development Training on June 27-29, 2024; Coconut Creations: Turning By-Products into Gold last September 19-20, 2024; Clean and Compliant: Guide to SSOP and GMP last November 19-21, 2024; Community Planning Workshop last April 8 and October 1, 2024 with 147 participants attended. Also, four (4) regular monthly meetings in April 22, June 29, October 1 and December 6, 2024 respectively.

Moreso, a Learning Journey to Amparitas Integrated Natural Farm, Hinatuan, Surigao del Sur was undertaken last September 30, 2024 with 25 participants attending.

#### Activities beyond Target

There were two (2) trainings were not part of the target. These were: Training on Basic Dairy Husbandry for Cattle (Post Dispersal Phase) last December 10-12, 2024 at Zamboanguita, Negros Oriental with 12 participants and CFITF Monitoring and Feedbacking last December 19-20, 2024 at ATI 7 Training Complex, Cabawan, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 50 attendees.

# National Urban and Peri-Urban Agriculture Program (NUPAP)

This is a banner program of the Department of Agriculture under the Administrative Order No. 03 series of 2022 which aims to ensure food security for the urban and peri-urban population; reduce food miles into food steps to lower fuel

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consumption and cost of logistics; create livelihood opportunities; and promote a healthy lifestyle by making available nutritious food for Filipinos specifically in urban and peri-urban areas.

#### Other AF

Two (2) batches of Containerized and Vertical Gardening with emphasis on Edible Landscaping conducted last February 14, 2024 at the Ubay District Jail, Camambugan, Ubay, Bohol and on February 15, 2024 at the Bohol District Jail - Female Dormitory, Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol. A total of 62 Person Deprived of Liberty participated.

#### **Techno Forum**

Four (4) Techno Fora conducted on: Hydroponics Gardening last May 10, 2024 at Danao City, Cebu; Vegetable Post-harvest & Processing last June 25, 2024 at Canlaon City, Negros Oriental; Organic Fertilizer Preparation & Application last June 27, 2024 at Talisay City, Cebu and Nursery Establishment & Management last August 08, 2024 at Guihulngan City, Negros Oriental. A total of 127 attendees were trained.

Meanwhile, a Harvest Festival was held last May 15, 2024 at Green Gardens of Hope, San Roque, Balilihan, Bohol with 100 participants attended.

#### Training

Two (2) batches Glamourizing Urban Gardening Make it Attractive (GUGMA) for the Youth and Community last April 17-19, 2024 at ATI-7 Cabawan District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 30 attendees and at Sierra Hotel, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental on October 22-24, 2024 with 30 participants attended.

Moreover, Boosting Farming through Climate-Smart Agriculture: Training of Trainers on Edible Landscaping and Off-season Vegetable Production last December 2-6, 2024 at BODARE MPC Building, Dao District, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with 30 attendees.



#### Awarding

The 2024 Regional Search for Best National NUPAP Community Garden was held on July 9-18, 2024. The winners under Microgardens Category A were: Champion- Manga National High School- Integrated-Diversified Garden-Tagbilaran City, Bohol; 1st Runner Up -Bayawan National High School-Senior High School-Bayawan City, Negros Oriental and 2nd Runner Up - Holy Family Elementary School-Bayawan City, Negros Oriental.

While under Macrogardens Category B were: Champion - FCCT- Tuburan, Cebu; 1st Runner Up- Casili Farmers Association - Mandaue City, Cebu and 2nd Runner Up for - Rooftop Farmers Association-Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental.



# **EXERCISES, BEST AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES**

### MODELING TECHNOLOGIES, BEST AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIE EXTENSION PRACTICES AND INNOVATIONS

EXHIBIT focuses on the provision of technology demonstration services, this area is the most effective way to introduce and showcase the success of a new and innovative technology or practice, its processes, techniques, and end results to individuals and communities. This area also encourages innovations to thrive as new farming systems are applied and integrated as a result of exhibit demonstrations.









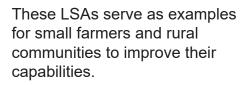
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# Learning Site for Agriculture (LSA)

The Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) is dedicated to advancing excellence in agriculture and fisheries extension through partnerships.

To achieve this, ATI supports the establishment of Learning Sites for Agriculture (LSAs), which are model farms showcasing applicable agricultural technologies and agri-products processing technologies.



In Central Visayas, ATI received 36 letters of intent from aspiring LSAs in 2024, with 28 validated and nine (9) certified. Six (6) LSAs received financial assistance, totaling to Seven Hundred Twenty Thousand Pesos fully released grants.







LIST OF LOET CERTIFICA LEARNING SILE FOR AGRICULTURE			
Name of LSA/Farm	Cooperator/ Implementer	Address	
Bohol Chocolate Farm	Noel V. Tinambacan	Purok 3, Canmano, Sagbayan, Bohol	
Garcia Hernandez High School	Lydia O. Bajao	West Ulbujan, Garcia Hernandez, Bohol	
Tuburan Coffee Farm	Moneth R. Asendiente	Purok Labangon, Kabangkalan, Tuburan, Cebu	
Gemiel's Greens And Diversified Farm	Gemiel J. Hermita	Purok Niyog, Brgy. Lawaan, Danao City, Cebu	
Pestales Agriculture Cooperative Integrated Diversified Farm	Mark Anthony C. Luaña	Hayunan, Jampang, Argao, Cebu	
Arapal Livelihood Center, Inc.	Rovie Joy A. Estoconing	Sitio Arapal, Anonang Sur, Bogo City, Cebu	
Bow And Arrow Integrated Or- ganic Farm	Fe J. Gamutin	Dahay St. Tabuan, Garcia Hernandez, Bohol	
Czarbeez Integrated Farm	Cesario C. Bonite	Purok 6, Cantagum, Tomoc, San Miguel, Bohol	
Silliman University Farm	Rafael B. Nepomuceno	Brgy. Bantayan, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental	

#### List of 2024 Certified Learning Site for Agriculture

#### List of Learning Site with Financial Assistance

Name of LSA/Farm	Cooperator/ Proponent	Project/Activity
Gazebo De Loondon	Ma. Reina Perez	Enhancement of Rabbit Breeders Housing and Building Structure
Teofils's Garden	Victor M. Castro	Enhancement of Teofil's Garden as a Learning Site for Agriculture (Tilapya and African Hito Culture)
Amaizeng Agricultural Farm	Nicomedes A. Curacha	Enhancement of Amaizeing Asturias Integrated LSA through the Renovation/Rehabilitation of the Training and Demonstration FacilityArea
Granja Del Mercado	Dr. Shelley Anne Merca- do-Labajo, MD	Enhancement of Corn Nursery Facility with Application of High Yield Inbred Output Technology
Anahaw Integrated Farm	Ariel Dela Cruz Ronato	Native Corn (Tinigib) Seed Production Project for 1 Hectare
J' Rodriguez Farming School	Jeshua A. Rodriguez	Enhancement of Function Hall for Rice-Based Technical Support Activities

# ADVISE **EMPOWERING FARMERS AND FISHERFOLKS THROUGH ADVISORY SERVICES**

This thematic area comprises the provision of farm or business advisory services. It includes on-demand knowledge sharing and advisory on production and post-production technologies, linking producers to the market, investments, and other strategic resources and support services with various stakeholders in agriculture and fisheries.



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ATI in Central Visayas made waves in delivering top-notch training and extension services. They're not just limited to making appearances at agrifairs and exhibits, but is also ensuring that all queries and advisories are thoroughly attended to. ATI-RTC 7 has participated in five targeted agrifairs and exhibits, including the Sandugo and Ubi Festival, as well as Information Caravans at the LGU-level and State Universities in the region under CVAARRDEC.

Their farm business and advisory services are also worth noting, as they're providing valuable guidance to clients and partners on technologybased inputs, Learning Sites for







Agriculture, and even rural-based organizations and scholarships. It's great to see ATI-7 personnel taking a proactive approach to supporting the agricultural community in Central Visayas.

Some of the key events participated in include the Sandugo Festival, which showcases the region's rich cultural heritage, and the Ubi Festival, which highlighted the importance of ube as a crop in the region. ATI-RTC 7 also conducted Information Caravans at the LGU-level, which aimed at bringing agricultural knowledge and technologies to local communities.

Overall, ATI in Central Visayas is doing a fantastic job in promoting agricultural development and supporting farmers and stakeholders in the region.

Their commitment to delivering excellent training and extension services is truly commendable.

# DISSEMINATE

### **ENHANCING AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES EXTENSION KNOWLEDGE PRODUCT AND SERVICES**

This thematic area deals with different extension clients or stakeholders' need for fast access to up-to date agriculture, livestock, and fisheries related information and knowledge. Included in this area are the development, translation, packaging and distribution of knowledge products through multimedia and all other modes of communication that fit a specific client system.





The Information Services (IS) team of the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) in Central Visayas has had a remarkable year, marked by numerous accomplishments that have significantly contributed to the dissemination of agricultural knowledge in the region. Despite their busy schedule, the team successfully delivered key initiatives that supported both the agriculture community and the general public.

One of the team's most notable achievement is the AgriTalk Webinar Series, which consisted of 12 episodes covering a wide range of topics relevant to farmers, stakeholders, and enthusiasts. These sessions addressed important issues such as updates on ATI's programs and activities, common goat diseases and their management, and the principles behind Philippine Good Agricultural Practices. The series also highlighted niche topics like the Philippine cacao industry, mushroom production and management, and biological pest control for vegetable crops. Each episode aimed to provide practical knowledge and solutions to help local farmers improve their practices and overcome common challenges.

In addition to the webinar series, the IS team produced "Stories of Farmers in Central Visayas, Volume 3", which featured the experiences and journeys of seven farmers. These stories not only showcased farming techniques but also highlighted the farmers' perseverance, innovation, and community support. By sharing these stories, the IS team gave a voice to the farmers, inspiring others and raising awareness about the real-world challenges they face.

The team also focused on visual storytelling, producing five impactful videos that featured exemplary rice farmers and showcased the activities of the 4-H Club, a youth organization committed to agricultural advocacy.

These videos raised awareness about pressing issues like African Swine Fever and Avian Bird Flu, which have had severe impacts on the agricultural sector. The videos not only educated the public but also emphasized the importance of collective action in mitigating these diseases and safeguarding the local farming industry.

# **INFORMATION SERVICES** ACCOMPLISHMENTS FITS, Videos, Webinars, IEC Development Reproduction and Distribution







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# **SUPPORT EMPOWER AND ENABLING ENVIRONMENT AND GOVERNANCE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES EXTENSION**

Improving the delivery of AFE services involves setting-up an enabling environment incorporating good governance for agriculture and fisheries extension service providers or actors. This area focuses on the need of extension agencies for policy support, planning, monitoring and evaluation mechanisms, human resource management, budget, infrastructure and facilities.





The ATI in Central Visayas has been actively involved in various important activities aimed at strengthening agricultural and fisheries extension programs in the region. These include: Formulation of Operational Plans: The ATI has been instrumental in spearheading the formulation of the FY 2024 operational plans for the Province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Centers (PAFEC) and Negros **Oriental Agriculture and Fisheries Extension** Center (NOAFEC).

**Development of Municipal Agriculture** and Fisheries Plans: They also facilitated the crafting and formulation of the Municipal Agriculture and Fisheries Development Plans, which serve as a foundation for revising the Collaborative Provincial Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Program (CPAFEP) for the provinces of Bohol, Negros Oriental, and Siguijor.

Strategic Planning for Bohol: ATI has contributed to the development of the Province of Bohol's Strategic Plan for FY 2025-2027, focusing on long-term goals and development.

#### Assessment and Refining Strategies: The ATI has worked on assessing and refining strategies to ensure the smooth implementation of the PAFEC and NOAFEC programs.

**Regularized Meetings:** Regular meetings have been organized as a platform for discussing issues and challenges related to agriculture and fisheries development.

Strengthening Partnerships: The ATI has fostered and strengthened partnerships with National Government Agencies (NGAs) and other stakeholders to enhance collaboration and support for agricultural initiatives.

#### Assistance in Developing Strategic Framework: The ATI assisted in the crafting of the strategic framework for NOAFEC, focusing on setting clear directions and development

These initiatives reflect ATI's commitment to improving agricultural and fisheries sectors in the Central Visayas region through collaborative planning, strategic development, and building strong partnerships.



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CORN	5, 602, 800.00	5, 602, 800.00
HVCDP	1, 960, 000.00	1, 960, 000.00
ORGANIC AGRICULTURE	7, 126, 750.00	7, 126, 750.00
OTHER ESETS	23, 716, 445.69	23, 716, 445.69
NUPAP	2, 338, 000.00	2, 338, 000.00
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Training - Collaborative CFITF	81	2764
Training* - L&D	4	54

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