



MONTHLY REPORT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Center/Division: **RTC-CAR**

PROGRAM	ACTIVITY	HIGHLIGHTS <i>(Specific title of activities, Why, When, Where, Who, How many)</i>
Strengthening Competency and Competitiveness through Capability Building (Learn)		
Modeling Technologies, Best Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Practices and Innovations (Exhibit)	FIELD VALIDATION	<p>Field Validation of Swine Multiplier Farm and Upgraded AI sa Barangay Applicants, November 28- December 1, 2022</p> <p>Pursuant to Republic Act No. 11469 of the "Bayanihan We Recover as One Act" that was signed into law last Sept 11, 2020. The Swine Multiplier Farm and Upgraded AI sa Bara is part of the government's effort to support and hasten recovery strategy from the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic. It was continued through the Integrated National Swine Production Initiatives for Recovery and Expansion (INSPIRE) Program as a repopulation effort of the Department of Agriculture from the devastating effect of the African Swine Fever on the country's swine industry. Hence, a field validation for applicants was conducted on November 28- December 1, 2022, in the provinces of Mountain, Kalinga, and Apayao.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For CY 2023, the ATI-RTC-CAR was allotted 1 establishment of a Swine Multiplier Farm amounting to 10 million pesos and 1 Upgraded AI sa Barangay with a 4.7-million-peso budget. To hasten the implementation of the project in the upcoming year, hence field validation of the applicants was MASTER COPY done. PVO Mountain Province through the governor Hon. Bonifacion Lacwasan and provincial veterinarian Dr. Rodelio Bagawi, applied for both projects, however, the prospective site for the multiplier farm which is supposed to be in Paracelis is not yet ready during the validation. The site for the Upgraded swine AI was validated in Otucan, Bauko Mt. Province. It was owned by the PVO Mountain Province. It is a 1.5-hectare, flat-terrain grassland area. It has an access road while water and electricity can be tapped at the provincial nursery which is an adjacent area of the proposed site. According to Dr. Bagawi the proposed AI sa Barangay can be benefited by swine raisers from the municipality of Bauko, Bontoc, Sabangan, and Tadian but can also reach Sagada and other municipalities with the presence of various faster mobilities nowadays. The next site visited was the proposed site for the Swine Multiplier Farm of LGU Sabangan. It is located in Bangnin, Sabangan, approximately 5 kilometers away from the municipal hall. The site has some slope to flat parts. The prospective donor of the area was also present during the validation wherein he


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Empowering farmers and fisherfolk through advisory Services (Advise)	FITS ACCOMPLISHM ENT	<p>assures that if the area is to be qualified, they will immediately process the donation papers to the LGU Sabangan. The site can be reached by vehicle but no access yet to water and electricity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For PVO Kalinga, Dr. Leonardo Damian communicated that during their meeting with the provincial governor of Kalinga, the existing breeding center of the province shall be transferred to an identified site yet, hence the site validation of the proposed swine multiplier farm was not done. For the province of Apayao, PVO Apayao applied both for the Swine Multiplier Farm and Al sa Barangay. Also, LGU Luna applied for the multiplier farm. However, Luna is still under the red zone, hence both applicants were advised to hasten their application for the pink zone since the last infection detected was in August. Both proposed sites are located in Payaman, Apayao. For PVO Apayao, the site is located in the part of the donated area of LGU Luna to the PLGU of Apayao. It is near the Office of the Provincial Veterinary Office. The area was utilized as a breeding center but was infected with ASF hence the existing facility is being utilized for now as a brooding area for chickens. For LGU Luna, the proposed site is part of the 100-hectare parcel of land owned by the LGU in Payaman. It is flat in terrain, accessible to vehicles but the water and electricity connection is still being done. For all applicants, the repayment scheme of the project was discussed including the ECC requirement and counter parting for the multiplier farm. A photocopy of the land title/tax declaration/ deed of donations and also the list of organizations that could benefit from the project were collected
Enhancing Agriculture Fisheries Extension Knowledge Products and	DEVELOPMENT AND DISSEMINATION OF KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES	<p>One of the Agricultural Training Institute's methods for providing extension services to rural regions is the Techno Gabay Program, which includes the FITS Center. Access to agri-fishery knowledge and technology is made simple at this one-stop community service facility.</p> <p>During the second semester, the region's FITS Centers and library provided services to a total of 6,050 customers.</p> <p>DA-ATI-RTC-CAR intensified its online promotions with 20 social media posts, a total of 191 page views were accumulated and 51,753 individuals were reached as a result of the aforementioned uploads.</p>

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<p>Services (Disseminate)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SCHOOL ON THE AIR PROGRAM</p>	<div style="text-align: center;"> </div>



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	<p>SCHOOL ON THE AIR PROGRAM</p>	<p><i>"I learned the principles of organic agriculture such as care, health, fairness, and ecology including the elements of PGS such as trust, transparency, and shared vision. I also learned about the four committees of the PGS namely, the management committee, peer review committee, certification committee, and appeals committee."</i> Ms. Rebecca B. Bongtayon, Participant, Nawal, Bokod, Benguet</p> <p><i>"This school on the air on the participatory guarantee system is good because I was able to learn the requirements which every organic farmer must prepare for accreditation and certification purposes. I would like to thank the Agricultural Training Institute Cordillera for conceptualizing this learning program. The topics were good and clearly explained and hopefully we can easily follow these later. We would also like to thank our local government unit, specifically our Municipal Agriculture Office for patiently assisting us throughout the activity, thank you."</i> Ms. Aniceta S. Sabog, Farmer-Participant, Cattubo, Atok, Benguet</p> <p>(SOA on Smart Rice Agriculture) "PalayAralan: Makabagong Pagsasaka sa Himpapawid", June 13, 2022- December 2, 2022</p> <p>"Radio is an effective and low-cost learning medium, reaching people regardless of their educational level. It is acknowledged as the primary source of news and the most pervasive, persuasive, and credible communication channel, specifically suited to reach remote communities and vulnerable people – the illiterate, disabled, rural women, and the youth. It has a unique advantage – the quick capacity of sharing information and technology from research institutions to millions of end users.</p> <p>School On the Air (SOAs) are relatively inexpensive and if properly planned, carefully implemented, and adequately supported are equally effective compared to other conventional approaches to teaching farmers. SOAs complement and supplement the limited reach of frontline extension workers, especially at this time when the COVID-19 pandemic poses challenges related to access and reach.</p> <p>The SOA-SRA aimed to help catalyze agriculture modernization through the massive and sustained education of smallholder farmers and local intermediaries on modern and innovative technologies and approaches to smart rice production.</p> <p>The SOA-SRA was conducted from June 13- December 2, 2022, in the Province of Abra (Bangued, Boliney, Bucay, Bucloc, Daguioman, La Paz, Lacub, Laganglang, Lagayan, Langiden, Licuan-Baay, Luba, Manabo, Pidigan, Pilar, Sallapadan, San Isidro, San Juan, San Quintin, Tayum, Tubo, Villawicosa) with DZPA CMN Puso ti Abra 873KHZ and Municipality of Aguinaldo in the Province of Ifugao. There were 1,500 graduates confirmed by Mr. Charlie C. Sagudan, Officer-In-Charge of ATI-RTC-CAR.</p> <p>Impressions: <i>"Farming is our main source of livelihood and together with my husband, we work hand in hand at the farm. Often, I do tasks within my physical capability, usually, I do the fertilizer and pesticide application. Hence, when we were informed that they are looking for enrollees for this School-on-the-Air on rice production we immediately expressed our interest to enroll. As we went through the episodes, we realized that there are still a lot of possible improvements to our current farming</i></p>



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		<p><i>practices. Specifically, we realized that if we will just follow the Key Checks then these will improve our lives as farmers especially in lowering our production cost and increasing our yield all towards uplifting our lives. It is for this reason that I consider all the learnings we got from this school-on-the-air as our lifetime learning while we farm." Ms. Lorna M. Benauro, Malapa-ao, Langiden, Abra</i></p> <p><i>"This SOA added and enhanced my knowledge of rice production. Before I enrolled here my usual practice is that whatsoever available seed there is that is what I will plant. I was also used to planting just after the field was plowed. However, I learned that there is a proper and recommended way of preparing the field for planting for us to achieve a better outcome on our farm. The same is true in selecting good quality and compatibility. I also noted the concept of synchronous farming as a means of lessening damage from pests. The practice of carefully leveling the field before planting is another good practice in optimizing irrigation. Thus, to my fellow farmers who have not yet participated in this program, I am inviting you to enroll in this SOA so that you will also learn more about agriculture and specifically rice production." Mr. Jonathan P. Casel, Poblacion, La Paz, Abra</i></p> <p>Follow-up Video Shoot on Janrey Casionan and Allen Bongat Story, November 6-10, 2022</p> <p>The activity is necessary to be able to shoot needed video clips for the success story of Janrey Casio nan and Allen Bongat and take the opportunity of being in Ifugao to retrieve records of the SOA-SRA in Aquinaldo, Ifugao.</p> <p>The activity went well as planned. We were able to accomplish the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shoots the testimony of MA Culimay for Janrey Casionan • shoots the testimony of Mr. Danny Baruelo for Mr. Allen Bongat • shoots aerial views of both sites (that we were not able to do during the first shoot because of a gadget glitch) • We also had the chance to shoot the pruning technology of Mr. Bongat. • Retrieved the SOA-SRA documents and delivered their supplies for graduation • Visited the proposed venue of the graduation and met with the barangay officials
	<p style="text-align: center;">SUCCESS STORY</p>	<p>Consultation with LCEs on the Institutionalization of PAFES for the Province of Ifugao (Re-orientation), September 16, 2022</p> <p>On September 16, 2022, a consultation with LCEs on the institutionalization of PAFES was conducted. The primary focus of the activity was to refocus LCEs and advise them on PAFES and the current state of its implementation. Participants came from several LGUs in Ifugao, including officials from the Mayor's Office, MPDC, SB, and the majority of them from the OMAg, DA-RFO-CAR, and other DA departments and connected organizations. Mr. Maximino R. Aromin Jr. spoke on behalf of ATI-CAR.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Highlights</p>
<p>Improving Enabling Environment and Governance for AFE (Support)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PAFES</p>	



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		<p style="text-align: center;">HIGHLIGHTS (Specific title of activities, Why, When, Where, Who, How many)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RED Odsey in his message emphasized that this is already a regular activity of the DA-RFO but was discontinued during the pandemic. It is being revived in consonance with PBBM's directive to improve coordination with LGUs. He thanked the presence of each and every one. • The governor was represented by the provincial administrator madam Cathy who ensured that the governor is 100% supportive of the cause of agriculture. • The following were the topics presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Agenda setting and 10-pt. agenda of PBBM – Ramon (staff of PMED) 0 Status of Devolution Transition Plan (DTP) – Ramon (staff of PMED) 0 Re-orientation on PAFES by Mae along with the updates on the implementation 0 Updates on the Implementation of CAR-RAED collaborative activities with LGUs – RAED Staff 0 Presentation of the Result of RRA by Mae 0 Presentation of draft of the CPAFEP (Livestock, fisheries) by Dr. Gopeng 0 Presentation of draft of the CPAFEP (Crops) by Steve Baccay 0 CSO Accreditation Process (A.O. 3) as one requirement for the provision of services – IDU staff • Open forum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Mr. Jimmy Lingayo the PAFC chair asked if the PCIP can be revised to include other commodities being pushed by the governor such as coconut, cacao, etc. – Answer: Yes. 0 Why is it that the rice budget for Ifugao is very low compared to other provinces – APCO Charlemagne Monayao? Answer: Understand that Ifugao is under the RCEF program, so the focus of the regular rice program is non-RCEF. However, if we are to analyze, if you combine the amount of the RCEF benefits and the Regular rice program in Ifugao, it will appear that you are not the lowest (3rd) – Edwin Franco 0 Mr. Lingayo expressed the ethical issue on heirloom rice export saying that other stakeholders are criticizing that instead of promoting it locally so that local consumers and the farmers themselves will benefit, it is being exported. In effect, they are the ones <p>Refinement of CPAFEP Planning Workshop for Province, October 20-21, 2022</p> <p>2 batches of CPAFEP Refinement and Planning Workshop were conducted in Lucky's Hotel and Restaurant, Rizal Street, Zone 5, Bangued, Abra, on October 20-21, 2022. It was participated by various LGU Extension Workers in Abra. The activity aims to identify and refine the interventions which the MLGUs have proposed and included in their annual budgets for FY 2023 including those currently funded for 2022, if any, in support of the priority commodities under the province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Systems (PAFES) in the province.</p> <p>Learnings/ Agreements Agreements:</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group agreed to further refer and consult with their respective Municipal Planning and Development Coordinators regarding the funding and budget allocation for the proposed activities of their respective municipalities. • Since the concerned municipalities are nearby, DA-RFO-CAR-FOD requested the municipal representatives to make an initial consultation with their budget officers and planning officers so that they can present a more complete CPAFEP for the CPAFEP finalization meeting on the afternoon of October 21, 2022, or just after the CPAFEP refinement for the upland municipalities of Abra which was initially scheduled on the morning of October 21, 2022. • The DA-RFO-CAR emphasized that the municipalities shall prioritize the completion and filling out of the consolidated intervention matrix and that all municipalities should be able to provide their inputs prior to the provincial-level finalization. <p>Other Discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The activity involved the concerned OPAG Abra staff such as commodity program coordinators, commodity program report officers, representatives from the Abra PPDO, municipal agriculturists, their representatives, and some municipal commodity program coordinators and report officers, and representatives from the DA-RFO-CAR APCCO and FOD, ATI-RCT-CAR, and BFAR-CAR. • The activity is a sequel of the first workshop on the crafting of the CPAFEP planning workshop for the province of Abra on May 4, 2022. As previously agreed during the first workshop municipalities should complete the matrices of the commodities applicable or which are prioritized in their respective municipalities and then submit these to the provincial PAFES team for consolidation. The output of which will then be presented and deliberated upon during the refinement activity. • Prior to the refinement session, the PAFES provincial team notified the PAFES regional team that some municipalities are yet to complete the commodity matrices, and as such what they will present during the refinement is not yet a complete initial picture of their CPAFEP. In response, the regional PAFES team, through the DA-RFO-FOD, requested the provincial PAFES team to proceed with the presentation and afterward, the municipalities will have a workshop to complete the matrices. The workshop for the completion of the matrices shall be done in two batches considering the number of municipalities and their priority commodities. • After the presentation of the initial Abra PAFES CPAFEP, the inputs from the DA-RFO-CAR-FOD, ATI-RCT-CAR, and BFAR-CAR and with the validation inputs from the municipalities who already completed the matrices, the body decided to split the group into two based on the usual geographic grouping, that is, upper Abra for the highland municipalities, and lower Abra for the municipalities along the Abra plains. The geographic grouping is based on the neighboring and contiguous areas of municipalities with more common commodities and production systems. • The municipalities from the Abra plains were the first batch and their workshop immediately followed after the presentation of the initial CPAFEP. These municipalities are San Quintin, Langiden, Danglas, San Isidro, Pilar, Pidigan, Bucay, Penarrubia, Bangued, La Paz, Lagayan, Dolores, San Juan, Tayum, Laganliang. • The group focused on the major commodities of the province which are rice, corn, mango, sugarcane, swine, cattle, and tilapia.



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	<p>Finalization of CPAFEP for Province 1 (Abra), November 11, 2022</p>	<p>On November 11, 2022, several LGU Extension Workers, DA-RFO, and other LGU officers participated in the finalization of CPAFEP in the province of Abra. The activity aims to finalize the interventions for the PAFES CPAFEP which the MLGUs have proposed and included in their annual budgets for FY 2023 and 2024 including those currently funded for 2022, if any, in support to the priority commodities under the province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Systems (PAFES) in the province.</p> <p>Learnings/ Agreements</p> <p>Agreements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The body agreed that the PAFES provincial team can start finalizing the draft CPAFEP with the inputs from the municipalities The group also agreed that the municipalities and the provincial PAFES team shall continuously coordinate for any updates on the CPAFEP entries prior to the presentation which is scheduled in December. DA-RFO-CAR, BFAR-CAR, ATI-RTC-CAR, ASIST, and ADTEMCO may also start inputting their interventions once the provincial PAFES team uploads the Google sheet version of the initial CPAFEP. <p>Other Discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aside from local government units, other major extension service providers in Abra namely, the Abra Institute of Science and Technology (ASIST) and the Abra Diocesan Teachers and Employees Multi-Purpose Cooperative (ADTEMCO) also joined the finalization workshop. Most of the discussion centered on the interventions for rice and corn which have the largest production area and are the most common commodity among the municipalities. Interventions for the livestock sector also surfaced wherein it appears that some municipalities such as Tayum have a considerable number of interventions in terms of biologicals as early as 2022. More interventions for the fisheries industry particularly for tilapia also brought out as a potential investment for the municipalities.
<p>PAFES</p>	<p>PAFES</p>	<p>Refinement of CPAFEP Planning Workshop for the Province of Apayao, November 15, 2022</p> <p>The activity aims to identify and refine the interventions which the MLGUs have proposed and included in their annual budgets for FY 2023 including those currently funded for 2022, if any, in support of the priority commodities under the province-led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Systems (PAFES) in the province.</p> <p>Learnings/ Agreements</p> <p>Agreements:</p>

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	<p style="text-align: center;">PAFES</p>	<p>Presentation of Finalized CPAFEP for the Province of Abra, December 14, 2022</p> <p>To present the CPAFEP to the Project Management Committee</p> <p>Learnings/ Agreements</p> <p>Agreements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Abra CPAFEP focused on rice, corn, coffee, mango, swine, poultry, and cattle. Interventions for these commodities cover various links in the value chain. • Some of the most pressing concerns in the local agriculture sector that the province identified in its CPAFEP are the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - low yield and income of farmers. - high production cost (labor and inputs) - adverse environment during crop production due to the effects of climate change - highly seasonal for most high-value crops limiting supply for a certain period - diminishing performance of local animal breeds • Hence, Abra, through its CPAFEP, identified productivity/quality improvement of selected priority commodities by the provision of appropriate production, postharvest, and technology support services like seeds, fertilizers, flower inducers, fingerlings, greenhouses, nursery, clonal garden, irrigation, farm machinery, postharvest and processing facilities artificial insemination for swine and large animals as its priority interventions in response to the above-listed challenges of the local agriculture sector. • BFAR-CAR ARD Lois June Ferrin reminded the provincial team from LGU Abra to consider in their plan the operation of the provincial fisheries facilities constructed by BFAR and which will later be handed over to the PLGU. • The Abra provincial team, through Provincial Agriculturist Dr. Expedito Villaruz, manifested that they would prefer the financial management of the PAFES-funded interventions in Abra for 2023 be lodged at the ATI-RTC-CAR • ATI-RTC-CAR OIC Charlie C. Sagudan advised the team from Abra to coordinate with the ATI-RTC-CAR, particularly with its Information Services Section for the Digital Farmers Program which the province included as one of its capacity-building activities for AEMs.

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Downloading of funds	Initially managed by the DA-ATI-RTC-CAR. Some PLGU requested the fund to be downloaded to them as the process of ATI-CAR handling the fund will slow down the implementation. Kalinga, Apayao, Ifugao, and Mt. Province were in favor that the fund will be downloaded to the PLGUs while Abra and Benguet voiced that ATI-CAR will manage the fund for some reasons.
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Presentation of Finalized CPAFEEP for the Province of Ifugao, Mountain Province, and Apayao, December 14-15, 2022

The presentation of finalized CPAFEEP to the Project Management Committee headed by the Regional Executive Director of the DA-RFO-CAR was conducted together with all the invited key personnel representing the OPAg, OPVet, and PPDO of the provinces. Focal Persons and Key Personnel from DA-RFO-CAR, BFAR-CAR, and ATI-RTC-CAR were also present to support the activity on December 14-15, 2022.

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1. Highlights during the presentation of Mountain Province CPAFEP:

Learnings/ Agreements
Background: The DA–Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) is expected to provide annual co–financing to the operations of the province–led Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Center (PAFEC) as indicated in the PAFES Manual of Operations.
Basis of Budget Computation:

1. The computation of budget allocation is based on the number of covered provinces and the income classification of each province. The higher the income class of the province, the lesser the support to be given.
2. In accordance with the DA Devolution Transition Plan, 4th–6th Class provinces should be given priority and higher support in terms of interventions.

CRITERIA	PERCENTAGE
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2. Compliance with requirements (CPAFEP submission)	25%
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		<p style="text-align: center;">2. Highlights during the presentation of Ifugao CPAFEP:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Brief Overview of the CPAFEP and PAFES Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ifugao is an Agricultural Province as manifested by the wide tracks of rice terraces ascribed by UNESCO as a world heritage, corn areas that contributed 108,782 metric tons in the national accomplishment in 2021, highland vegetables with truckloads of vegetables daily frequenting the Nueva Vizcaya Agricultural Trading (NVAT) post and the La Trinidad trading post and fishery areas with the Magat dam as the biggest source freshwater fishery supplies for the province. • As an agricultural province with an increasing population going into farming, we are faced with challenges like low prices of Agricultural products, high prices of farm inputs, aging of our farmers having an average age of 57, few youngsters going into farming, and high cost of farm labor cost. Ifugao has a total land area of 256,636 hectares with an estimated agricultural area of 50,284 hectares. Agricultural activities are located in all municipalities of the province but are largely located in Alfonso Lista and Aguinaldo for corn, Tinoc, Asipulo, Hungduan, Banaue, Mayoyao & Aguinaldo for highland vegetables, and Lamut and Alfonso Lista for Rice. In the province of Ifugao, the majority of the people are engaged in farming especially highland vegetables, paly, and corn. Some are engaged in fisheries like Tilapia farming in ponds, cages, and rice fields/paddies. Aside from the aforementioned commodities, coffee is a major crop widely produced in the province, especially in Tinoc, Asipulo, Banaue, and Aguinaldo. There are also other commodities like cacao, mango, orange, banana, lanzones, rambutan, rattan and forest tree fruits. • With the wide areas as a potential for production, all these commodities can be developed thru appropriate programs and interventions. CPAFES is one of the major programs under the One DA Reform Agenda. It aims to establish a collaborative extension system to enhance LGUs' capacities in delivering strategic agriculture and fisheries interventions. The preparation of the Collaborative Provincial Agriculture and Fisheries Extension Program (CPAFEP) arose from the different plans of the different MLGUs and was integrated into the provincial plan. Different commodities were identified and prioritized in accordance with their viability and suitability in each respective area with the corresponding projects, programs, and activities to foster their growth and development. Likewise, the formulation of the CPAFEP is based on the Provincial Commodity Investment Plan (PCIP), with priority commodities and other emerging crops. <p style="text-align: center;">Ways Forward</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="327 734 391 1258">Activity</th> <th data-bbox="327 1258 391 1684">Timeline</th> <th data-bbox="327 1684 391 2084">Responsible Person/Office</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="236 734 327 1258">CY 2023 PAFES Operational Planning Workshop cum INAFES and Balangas PAFES Benchmarking</td> <td data-bbox="236 1258 327 1684">January 9-13, 2023 Pax: 10 pax/province</td> <td data-bbox="236 1684 327 2084">DA-CAR Family</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="154 734 236 1258">Submission of the updated CPAFEP</td> <td data-bbox="154 1258 236 1684">Kalinga- 1st week of Jan 2023</td> <td data-bbox="154 1684 236 2084">PMG</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Activity	Timeline	Responsible Person/Office	CY 2023 PAFES Operational Planning Workshop cum INAFES and Balangas PAFES Benchmarking	January 9-13, 2023 Pax: 10 pax/province	DA-CAR Family	Submission of the updated CPAFEP	Kalinga- 1st week of Jan 2023	PMG
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- Use Capability Building instead of Capacity building for uniformity
- For Training concerns, we have existing modules to guide you
- In terms of enterprise-related training, you can tap SLU-EISSIF
- Select techno demo sites with the potential to upscale as LSA
- For a generic title, let us make it specific
- Madam Virgie Tapat
 - Use the result of your RRA to substantiate your proposal
 - In terms of capability building, let us agree on a common training both for MLGU & PLGU
 - Conduct TNA so that your interventions will be responsive to their needs
 - Setting a baseline data will be critical
 - Go cluster approach for impact.
 - Be specific on the costing once we revised the proposals
 - Please consider interventions that would mobilize the E.O.
 - For those who are targeted for research, consider areas identified by DA and collaborate with SUCs
- Other Comments/Suggestions/Recommendations:
 - Revision will take place after the Benchmarking in Batangas & Ilocos Norte.
 - Provide a copy of RRA results to the Office of the governor and all municipalities
 - Benchmarking will push through on January 9-13, 2023. If you are not available, send your best representative. Pax would be 10/province. ATI-CAR will shoulder meals and accommodation in the venue but the individual province will shoulder their transportation (var). DA-CAR will shoulder coordination.

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	<p style="text-align: center;">ATI INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT</p>	<p>2022 Knowledge Management Updates, December 6-10, 2022</p> <p>The 2022 Knowledge Management Updates was conducted on December 6, 2022, in Butuan City, the activity serves as an avenue to continually harmonize, strengthen, and strategize the delivery of information services all throughout the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) network. Included in the activity is the review of 2022 accomplishments and the preparation of indicative plans for 2024. A rapid ideation workshop was conducted to yield new proposals and innovative ideas in the implementation of IS programs, projects, and activities. Each Center will also be recognized for its most notable accomplishment in the past year.</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <p>Day 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jason Jampac welcomed the group by relating the historical background of Butuan which was once considered a trading hub in the region as evidenced by the balanghai or balangay as a means of trading transport. Then Ms. Ekay, the Frujeet Officer, gave the overview. • Ms. Pam Mappala Asst. ISD Chief presented the highlights of the accomplishments of ISD in 2022. Selected Regions were also asked to present their accomplishments (Reg. 2, 8, ITCPH) <p>Day 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The day ended with a group workshop on "what went well and what went wrong". CAR was included in Reg 8 and 48 groups. <p>Day 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to LSA in Butuan the Amparita's Garden & Alameda Farm • Presentation of results of Workshop 1. Here are some of the common concerns raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IS has no separate fund – dependent on banner programs ○ "Kung ibang activity ay included ang 155, kung activity natin ay tayo-tayo lang" ○ Napakadaling pre-test. As a result, low knowledge gain, kasi 100% na sa pre-test pa lang. ○ Improve TMIS that is hanging ○ E-learning has problems - many enrollees were not recognized as graduates even if they pass the assessment • Workshop Cluster consolidation of Targets for 2023 and 2024 indicative plan/center. • Madam Niet's Answers to the Issues and concerns raised



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		<p style="text-align: center;">HIGHLIGHTS (Specific title of activities, Why, When, Where, Who, How many)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We fxn as both support and technical. "Insulto sa akin na iba ang gumagawa ng fxn. natin. This means na pwede pala na i-dissolve ang IS. The more fxns we have the more relevant we become." ○ "So, take the challenge - we are able to prove that we can do more - we are resilient" ○ "Huwag tayong makuntento sa ating comfort zone. Don't wait for ISD to do things for you. You can create your own programs/directions." ● Ma'am Niet Presented the 8-point Agenda of the present govt. She emphasized the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stop using the OneDA and the "Mataas na Ani Mataas na Kita" Slogan ○ Align our training and KP development along the value chain ○ Let us share emerging technologies via webinar or development of KPs ○ The Key is innovations ○ Maximize LSAs ○ Clustering is the key to modernization ○ Let us live up to our core values. Day 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Devoted to Agri Solutions Pitching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Winners are the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Post Category <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1st - Region 7 (devt. of 1-basa App) ● 2nd - Region 8 (Sikat – promotion of MS practices & Tech.) ● 3rd - Caraga ■ Pitch in Agri Solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1st - Region 12- Agriserbisyo on Wheels ● 2nd - Region 7- I-Basa App ● 3rd - Region IVA- Creating barcode for IEC monitoring
		<p>Attendance to the Revisiting the ATIEA constitution and by-laws, December 5-8, 2022</p> <p>The activity was requested by the National President of the ATI Employees Association (ATIEA) through the Office of the Director IV to assemble all the Chapter Presidents in order to revisit the Association's Constitution and By-Laws (CBL). This is also to amend the said CBL to comply with the requirement of the Civil Service Commission regarding the Updating of the Union's Profile.</p>



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<p style="text-align: center;">ATI INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT</p>		<p>Highlights of the activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Activity (Dec. 5, 2022) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ During the Opening Program, Dir. Remelyn Recoter acknowledged that government employees have the right to organize themselves into associations. However, employees' associations should not be the cause to form conflicts but harmonized these conflicts and resolve in order to achieve the vision and mission of the agency. The organization/association for that matter is the partner of the government to pursue development. She congratulated the organization because looking back on the association's profile, ATIEA is now in its 30th year as the sole association in negotiating the welfare of the employee's association to the ATI Management. ○ Presentation of the Constitution and By-Laws of the ATIEA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Mr. Clemente Gabi, ATIEA President, presented the overview of the activity ✓ Obligation of the association to ratify the constitution as a requirement of the CNA ✓ Three (3) versions of the constitution and by-laws were also presented. Copies of the said CB Ls were photocopied for review and to be presented as part of the amendments for the new CBL to be organized. ✓ Schedule of the activity was also provided • Updates on Public Sector Labor-Management Council from CSC (Dec. 6, 2022) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Every government office/agency has "the right to Organize" their organization/association ○ The need to register the Employees' Organization/Association with the DOLE and CSC ○ Only one association/organization shall be recognized as the sole and exclusive employee's representative with a ○ Terms and conditions of employment/improvement of the organization ○ Membership in the association is voluntary covering rank-and-file employees from SG 22 and below. ○ The association can charge Membership Fees and annual dues depending on the agreed amount of the organization. ○ Permanent employees are entitled to CNA, and Members of the association are entitled to the whole amount. Non-members are charged with 10% agency fee. Agency Fee refers to a reasonable assessment equivalent to the dues and other fees paid by members of the sole and exclusive collective negotiating agency deducted from non-employee organization members. CAN has a lifespan of 4 years. ○ CBL shall be approved through ratification of at least 50% plus 1 vote of the total employees representing the rank-and-file duly signed by the member. • Continuation of the Updates on the CB Ls (Dec. 7-8, 2022) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The body agreed to continue the review of the three versions of the constitution and by-laws and agree on which among the three CBLs can be adapted. ○ The body agreed to adopt the CBL dated Madh 28, 2007. The body then proceeded to organize and form the new Constitution and By-laws of the ATIEA. ○ All present representatives signed the new CBL and are to be ratified by at least 50% plus 1 of its members.



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	<p style="text-align: center;">HIGHLIGHTS (Specific title of activities, Why, When, Where, Who, How many)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A membership form was provided to be accomplished by members who wish to join the association.
OTHER AF RELATED ACTIVITIES	<p>Coastal Clean-up Drive, December 13, 2022</p> <p>Coastal Clean-Up (ICC) day" in a bid to educate people and create solutions to the problems of solid waste and litter in our coastal areas. With this, all training centers and the central office are enjoined to organize and conduct a small-scale coastal clean-up activity in support of this significant environmental event.</p> <p>Since there are no beaches or shorelines in the area, the ATI-RTC-CAR Staff decided to organize a neighborhood clean-up effort that included the local businesses, schools, and community. This is a way to clean up the neighborhood before the trash goes into the storm drain or sewers that might eventually end up on the shores.</p> <p>The staff was divided into three groups. Group 1 was assigned to the businesses outside the compound along the road near Balili River while Group 2 was assigned inside the university compound and Group 3 were assigned to the BABRC, Baguio city where they are tasked to apply fertilizer on the trees planted by the ATI-CAR staff during the 2 Sem Tree planting activity.</p> <p>ATI-CAR Annual Recognition and Sports Day CY 2022, December 20-21, 202</p> <p>On December 20, workers from the Center participated in the ATI-RTC-CAR Laro ng Lahi. The purpose of the event, which the Sports Committee prepared, was to stretch muscles after spending a lot of time sitting at work. The Laro ng Lahi's activities and games are adapted to each participant's age, gender, and level of physical ability. The activity could promote the growth of enduring connections among employees.</p> <p>Additionally, following Pastor Abraham Begorria's WORD of exhortation on December 21, the ATI-CAR Annual Recognition was also completed. For CY 2022, the awards were determined through the Performance Rating and Accomplishment Monitoring System (PRAMS), a monitoring system containing the accomplishment of the Center's operating units and sections as to physical performance, timeliness of conduct, and submissions of reports, quality and responsiveness, and compliance to requirements among others. The PRAISE Committee will further review the tool to determine its applicability for CY 2023 onwards.</p> <p>Moreover, the two days activity aims to encourage creativity, innovativeness, efficiency, integrity, and productivity in the public service among the ATI-CAR staff.</p> <p>Impressions: "Thank you to everyone. Being the youngest and considering that my first job is with ATI, you serve as my example. Thank you for leading and setting a good example. It was not an easy year, but we've proved that through teamwork things can be accomplished. Thank you for the efforts of</p>
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		<p><i>each one and may we all the more be motivated to work together for the years to come.” Ms. Nikao Ramos, DA-ATI-RTC-CAR, Admin Support Staff for HR</i></p> <p><i>“Thank you for all the help you’ve extended this year 2022. Without the help of each one, this year’s targets would have not been realized. Individually, together, we are growing. Thank you for all your contributions to my growth personally and professionally.” Ms. Resley Ann G. Sumedea, DA-ATI-RTC-CAR, Agriculturist I</i></p> <p>To monitor and visit the potato planted by the 3 members of the 3 FCAs under the CBF MAFF Project, December 26-29, 2022</p> <p>Accordingly, after 49 days of planting, the potato plants are still in the vegetative stage. Hilling up and side-dressing with fertilizer were already completed. Every activity was predicated on the production module’s use of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), particularly with regard to the application of pesticides. The plant height and stems at 45 days following planting were measured. The number of tubers planted determines the plant’s height and the number of stems per plant.</p> <p>As it was discovered that there were insect pests likerips, which were present in all three farmers’ plants, and late blight, which was present on Mr. Chester M. Ngaseo’s potato plants from Blestadam F.A., the three FCAs were required to follow the regular irrigation and pesticide application schedules during the field validation.</p> <p>All farms, according to observation, are clean. When it comes to farm sanitation, plants are still quite healthy, with strong, robust stems and light to dark-colored foliage.</p>
CBF MAFF PROJECT		<p>To monitor and visit the potato planted by the 3 members of the 3 FCAs under the CBF MAFF Project; also, to gather data for the Varietal trial and attend F2C2 Planning, December 5-9, 2022</p> <p>The first implementation of the production module of potato was set for the first week of November 2022. There were first 3 members chosen from the 3 FCAs that will conduct namely, Ms. Haynalyn O-oc from the Raniag Farmers’ Association, Mr. Chester M. Ngaseo from Blestadam Farmers’ Association, and Ms. Fatima T. Sissi-it from Manpat-a Farmers’ Association. As per the agreement, each of them has a land area of 1000 sqm. planted with potato Mexican variety. After receiving the farm inputs, fertilizers, and potato planting materials last November 10, 2022, they now scheduled simultaneous planting and were able to finish on time.</p> <p>At present, the potato plants are already at their vegetative stage, already on its 30 days after planting. This stage was ready for the hilling-up operation. All the activities were based on their production module employing Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), especially on the usage of pesticides.</p>
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		<p>Along with the implementation of the project are a varietal evaluation study for growth, yield, and processing quality performance, using the two varieties of potato, namely Granola Mexican and Granola Pina. Also, to determine the best variety that is suitable in their area. Data to be gathered includes plant emergence, height, health, stems, maturity, yield (marketable and non-marketable), resistance to pests and diseases, and Dry Matter Content.</p> <p>During the field validation, the 3 farmers from the 3 FCAs already irrigated the farm using sprinkler irrigation and scheduled pesticide application for the control of pests and diseases. During the monitoring, all of them had already applied side-dressed fertilizer and finished the hilling-up operation on time as observed in the photo documentation. Activities to be done until harvesting includes regular irrigation since the dry season had already begun and pesticide application as needed.</p>
	<p>FIELD MONITORING</p>	<p>1). Field Validation of YFFTPJ applicants who passed the written examination; and</p> <p>2). Field Monitoring of the 4H Club project on Duck Raising.</p> <p>On December 1-3, Ms. Veronica B. Slioy and other staff traveled to Abra & Tabuk City Kalinga to conduct field validation of YFFTPJ applicants who passed the examination conducted last Nov 29, 2022, and Adopt-a- 4H Club beneficiary.</p> <p>a. Mr. Mark Anthony Masaoy Besa Address: Villaviciosa, Abra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ He is a beneficiary of ducks and free-range chicken under for rice-duck project of the Rice program last 2021 & 2022. ✓ He has a farm located at 3 sites, planted with rice, fruit and plantation crops, lowland vegetables, livestock, and fishery. ✓ He is hands-on in the farm operation activities of the family farms, being the only son of the family. He is being assisted by his grandfather and cousin in the farm operation. ✓ He is an active young farmer in the Municipality of Villaviciosa, Abra, and a college graduate, however, he was not able to get his diploma from the school he graduated from due to personal reasons. He was able to attend training conducted by ATI and TESDA. ✓ As part of the validation, he was advised to improve/developed his farms since the farm location is very promising to become a learning site for agriculture and agri-farm tourism. He was advised to follow good agricultural practices whether or not he will be lucky to be one of the interns in Japan. ✓ He was also advised to complete the required documents discussed during the Orientation at ATI RTC CAR on time, for submission to DA ATI Central Office for table evaluation. <p>b. Mr. Jayhart Baluga Address: Dupag, Tabuk City, Kalinga</p>



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		<p style="text-align: center;">HIGHLIGHTS (Specific title of activities, Why, When, Where, Who, How many)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ As a 4-H member of Tabuk City, Mr. Baluga was been a participant in the Adopt-a-4H Club Training conducted last 2019 in Apayao and a recipient of a P50,000 project for duck raising. The P50,000 proposal on duck raising was supplemented by Tabuk City Local Government Unit amounting to P30,000. The P80,000 was utilized to purchase ducks, nets, fish ponds rehab, and other farm inputs like feeds. ✓ Based on the interview, he was able to produce more ducks which he sold locally and for home consumption, especially during the pandemic accordingly it was a good project that was able to help the family, especially during the pandemic. ✓ In terms of the application of the learnings from training attended, it is manifested in the operation of his farm. It was observed that the farm was maintained properly. Detailed observations on the farm were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 Observe farm sanitation; 0 Practices integrated farming. There is an integration of fish, duck, rice, and other crops on the farm; 0 Family farming. Both parents and siblings help in the operation of the farm. ✓ Mr. Jayhart has various plans to improve the operation of the farm. However, they have a limited budget. ✓ Ms. Veronica explained to the family the mechanics of the internship program in Japan, she explained the requirements and the documents that need to be submitted to ATI Central Office for table validation. <p>c. Mr. Julius Bangibang Cudal, Tabuk City, Kalinga</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Mr. Bangibang is in charge of operating the farm for the family located in Cudal, Tabuk City. It is more or less 6 hectares farm planted with corn, banana, and some vegetable plants. ✓ In terms of farming, Mr. Bangibang is very familiar, especially with corn and banana production. ✓ When asked why he wanted the internship in Japan, he said he wanted to learn more technologies to be applied to their farm. ✓ Ms. Veronica reiterated the internship program in Japan, the requirements, and the documents that need to be submitted for table validation. <p>FSTP Phase III Implementation Site, December 6, 2022</p> <p>The online field monitoring for the FSTP Phase III projected site was carried out with the help of the Office of the City Agriculture Services of Tabuk City, Kalinga. Monitoring took place on December 6, 2022.</p> <p>As proposed by the phase III participants, they have identified the farm of Mr. Jimmy Dalmacio to be the site where to implement the phase III. Upon proposal, staff from OCAS Tabuk City headed by Ms. Emma Concepcion Ferrin went to the proposed site to monitor if the site is suitable for phase III implementation.</p>
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		<p>According to Ms. Ferrin, based on the guidelines released by the UPLB research team, the site is appropriate for phase III implementation. Since the site has an area of one hectare. After the monitoring, the participants had a short meeting to summarize their plans and schedules for the phase III implementation.</p> <p>The participants also decided to stick with their decision as regards to the day of their demo teaching—every Thursday of the week. As regards to the site preparation OCAS Tabuk City, committed that they will spearhead the activity, specifically in lay-outting the site for plantation.</p> <p>Building a Foundation for knowledge creation for BP: Sharing of Best Practices and CY 2023 Planning Consultation, December 5-9, 2022</p> <p>The activity "Building a Foundation for Knowledge Creation for Banner Programs: Sharing of Best Practices and CY 2024 Planning Consultation" was held on December 5-9, 2022 in Region 6 to improve the delivery of extension support services of the Agricultural Training Institute's (ATI) Commodity Banner Programs.</p> <p>Various ATI-CO and Regional Training Centers staff took part in the exercise. The activity involves a workshop, and participants are required to create their individual CY 2024 Plans and Budget as a result of their Offices' planning workshops detailing the programs, initiatives, and activities to be conducted under the banner program.</p> <p>Field Day And Awarding Ceremony PALAYtimpalak the 2nd Year Search for Top Performing Rice Based, December 16, 2022</p> <p>The activity attended was the "2022 PALAYtimpalak: the 2nd year search for performing Rice Based Integrated Farms in Region 1". It was conducted at barangay Cagroan, San Juan, La Union. The activity was spearheaded by ATI RTC I.</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The activity started with the farm visit on one of the Riced-based integrated farms and interaction with farmers and guests at the farm site, this was followed by the formal program at the San Juan Gymnasium where individually the winners were presented and awarded. • The undersigned, I congratulated the participants in this activity even as I also envisioned that this kind of event will also be replicated in the region CAR particularly in the heirloom rice ecosystem to increase farmers' income and to provide an additional livelihood. • The program started at 9:00 am and it ended at 4:36 PM.
SCHOOL ON THE AIR PROGRAM	ATI INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT	<p>SOA-SRA Planning for Graduation and Interview for the RCM Case Study, October 24-28, 2022</p>



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		<p>The activity is necessary to be able to plan the graduation ceremonies for the SOA-SRA and gather information for the RCM Case Study. The activity went well as planned, with the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cluster 1 (San Quintin, Pidigan, San Isidro, Villaviciosa and Pilar) - Nov. 17, 2022 @ Mt. Carmel • Cluster 2 (Licuan-Baay, Lagangilang, San Juan, Bangued, Lagayan, Langiden, La Paz) - Nov. 16, 2022 @ DWCB Gym, Bangued, Abra • Cluster 3 (Tuba, Luba, Manabo, Daguioman, Buloc, Bucay, Sallipadan) - Nov. 18, 2022 @ Manabo Gym, Manabo, Abra <p>The interview with RCM Farmer adopters and implementers of Flora, Apayao also went well with 15 farmers and the staff of OMAg Flora headed by Madam Naty Ramos.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">FORUM ON R4DE</p>	<p>Ugnay Palay: The 34th National Rice Research for Development Conference, December 7, 2022</p> <p>The DA-Philippine Rice Research Institute conducted the Ugnay Palay: The 34th National Rice Research for Development Conference on December 7, 2022, via Zoom. This is a yearly conference that provides a forum for learning about and exchanging expertise with rice R4DE in order to address existing concerns and new ones.</p> <p>The activity with the theme "Advance science and technology for prosperous rice-farming communities toward sufficient and affordable rice for all", presented new plans for 2023 to0 2028 in view of and in response to the tall order of achieving sufficient and affordable rice for all Filipinos using science-based information and strategies. This conference also served as the national stakeholder consultation workshop for the draft DA-PhilRice Strategic Plan 2023-2028. The conference was brought together by the Ugnay Palay, where the rice science community and its stakeholders gather through rice and for rice.</p>

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