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"THE ART OF SUCCESS"

agayan State University joins 50 other State Universities and Colleges from the different parts of the Philippines for "The Art of SUCcess" - The State Universities and Colleges Expo held at Trinoma Activity Center last March 9 to 11, 2020.

emphasis With great on Innovation. Passion. and Connection the event promoted showcased and different flagship the programs, projects. and research-based products SUCs that contributes to the socio-economic and technological advancement of their respective regions.

This event is spearheaded by the Commission on Higher Education and is envisioned to entice public participation and collaboration in the SUCs' research initiatives.

CSU exhibited the diffent products of its eight campuses for the local market to try and experience. Produce samples and Information regarding Aparri's Eucheuma Candy, Andrews' CSU Hotel, Carig's ICT Products, Gonzaga's Pineapple Vinegar and Red Rice Coffee, Lal-lo's Citronella Products, Lasam's Tableya, Piat's Lubeg Yoghurt and Pastillas, and Sanchez Mira's Coco-based products were offered at CSU's booth. --UIO



#### PRESIDENT TEJADA IS THE NEW RASUC PRESIDENT

President Urdujah A. Tejada is the newly elected Regional Association of State Universities and Colleges (RASUC) President. RASUC (02) has Isabela State University (ISU), Nueva Vizcaya State University (NVSU), Batanes State College (BSC), Quirino State University (QSU), and Cagayan State University (CSU) as its members. President Tejada replaced Dr. Samuel Benigno of QSU who recently

retired from government service.

The first agenda for the association was the composition of a Technical Working Group for the conduct of a SUC Levelling Evaluation wherein Level IV universities, which include NVSU and ISU, will be evaluating universities in lower rank to ensure the sharing of best practices among the state universities and colleges. \$\overline{\chi}\$-UIO

#### **VPAF IN SENATE**

r. Ranhilio C. Aquino, Cagayan State University's Vice President for Administration and Finance, was a resource person in a Senate Hearing conducted last February 20, 2020 regarding the Senate Concurrence in Treaty Withdrawal/Termination where he shared his valuable insights on the topic in view of Constitutional Law and

Theory.

Fr. Aquino was among the five resource persons that the Committee on Foreign Relations invited to give their position on P.S. RES. No. 305 - Resolution Expressing the Sense of the Senate that the Termination of, or Withdrawal from, Treaties and International Agreements Concurred in by the Senate Shall be Valid and Effective

Only Upon Concurrence by the Senate. Fr. Aquino, during his presentation, concludes that since treaties are both a creation of congress through the senate and of the president, the president cannot claim sole power to withdraw from one. —UIO



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Ranhilio Aquino Member, 2016 Consultative Committee

# CAGAYAN STATE COVID-19 CAGAYAN STATE UNIVERSITY

ANDREWS | APARRI | CARIG | GONZAGA | LAL-LO | LASAM | PIAT | SANCHEZ MIRA

agayan State University remains steadfast and dedicated to serving the community amidst the fight against COVID-19 as administrators, faculty, staff, and students take action to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and help the community, especially the frontliners, through relief packs and personal protective equipment.

CSU ensures that the distribution of food packs for 326 (Andrews-58, Aparri-90, Carig-175, Gonzaga-5, Lallo-36, Piat-15, & Sanchez Mira-55) stranded students across all campuses were prioritized

to ensure proper nourishment and sustenance despite the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ). Assistance for stranded students to go back to their respective hometowns were also organized where 3 students and 9 CIT stranded OJT students in Pangasinan were brought back home.

CSU also took part in supporting the frontliners by donating Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to secure our first line of defense against the virus. Cagayan State Univeristy, through its Central Analytical Laboratory, donated 550 pieces of masks and 3,200 pieces of nitrile laboratory

gloves to the Department of Pathology and Laboratories of Cagayan Valley Medical Center. Additional PPE were also distributed which includes (and is not limited to) 280+ improvised face shields and 65+ scrub suits to Cagayan Medical Center, OWWA Regional Office 02, and Tuguegarao City Rescue 1111. The distribution of 100 improvised face shields for the frontliners of Centro 1 Barangay Council of Sanchez Mira, Officers in BJMP-Sanchez Mira, PNP Sanchez Mira, Medical Frontliners in Far North Hospital, Sanchez Mira-Claveria checkpoint,

Asanias Polyclinic, and Northern Cagayan District Hospital also took place.

CSU Community The shared in-kind and provided assistance to the frontliners and to the less fortunate members of the community by donating food items to frontliners manning checkpoints in the municipality of Gonzaga and Sta Ana. Fisherfolks in Gonzaga were also assisted by buying their catch and dryed them through PORTASOLs. CSU also assisted the barangay officials in the distribution of food packs from the municipal government of Lal-lo.



In light of the transporation halt, the deployment of e-trikes to transport health workers were also provided for Tuguegarao City People's General Hospital (TCPGH) and Cagayan Valley Medical Center. CSU Carig also opened its doors for all health workers needing temporary sleeping quarters by converting the CICS Conference Room into a 16-bed alternative housing facility equipped with comfortable and complete beddings and clean restrooms with a continuous supply of

water. The fast tracking of construction for the 4-saw tooth greenhouse in CSU Gonzaga also aims to serve as a Survival Garden in case the government announces extension for the ECQ.

The Cagayan State University Central Analytical Laboratory(CAL)also continuously offers it services in testing free homemade alcohol without any charge. This test is important to make sure that the alcohol distributed for consumption

passed the 70% ethanol mark which is deemed effective as sanitizer especially against COVID 19.

CSU, as a learning institution, also organized lectures and briefing sessions on Novel -Corona Virus (2019 - nCoV) in campuses to ensure that the right information on the prevention of the virus is passed on to the whole CSUan community. As a mitigation and safety precaution, most campuses also disinfected classrooms, offices, and other

designated areas to ensure the safety of the CSUan community.

Cagayan State University enjoins the government in flattening the curve for coronavirus. This is Cagayan State University's share in aiding our students and frontliners amidst the COVID-19 pandemic as we aim to move forward and heal as one. UIO



n CSU's quest to providing quality tertiary education to every Cagayano youth, the Launching and Groundbreaking of CSU Iraga Extension last February 7, 2020, marked the start of the construction of a new and accessible higher education institution for the students of Solana, Amulung, and other nearby municipalities.

University President
Urdujah A. Tejada described
the project as an impossible
dream that has become possible
through the persistence of
Congressman Joseph L. Lara
and the approval of the Board
of Regents. President Tejada
further said that like the other

campuses that have their own niche programs, the Iraga Extension will specialize in brooding and rearing of fish species. Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, the Vice President Administration for and Finance, also shared that CSU's Iraga Extension will offer academic programs in Teacher Education, Agriculture, Fisheries, Information and Computing Sciences, and Criminology. These are the preferred programs that were identified in a Feasibility Study conducted within the target beneficiaries by a Technical Working Group led by Dr. Theresa B. Dimalanta.

Hon. Joseph L. Lara said

that he is thankful to be an instrument of providing access to quality education in the remote areas of the province because as a parent himself he said that there is nothing better than for parents to see and embrace their children at the end of every day. Hon. Jennalyn P. Carag, Municipal Mayor of LGU Solana, shared in this view as she said that this project is a blessing for the municipality not only for students but also for their parents as transportation and commute would be reduced from their worries

In attendance to the event were CSU officials, representatives from lined-

government agencies, barangay officials, and principals and students from the feeder schools of the municipalities of Solana and Amulung. The 34.5 Million CSU Iraga Extension project is made possible through the initiative of Hon. Joseph L. Lasam, 3rd District Representative of Cagayan, in close collaboration with Cagayan State University as the mobilizing agency. The extension is situated along the Barangay Road to Masin, near the Solana Fresh Water Fisheries School in Barangay Iraga, Solana, Cagayan and is targeted to officially start classes by August 2020. -UIO

## CSU PIAT DAIRY PROCESSING PLANT ATTAINS A "LICENSE TO OPERATE"

T's time to drink more milk!
Cagayan State UniversityPiat Campus' Dairy
Processing Plant has been
granted License to Operate
as Food Manufacturer by the
Food and Drug Administration
(FDA).

The CSU Piat's Dairy Processing Plant's "License to Operate" allows the dairy center to apply for a market authorization for health products prior to manufacture, importation, sale or offer for sale, distribution, transfer, advertisment and/or promotion. The license will be valid until December 26, 2021.

University President
Urdujah A. Tejada
congratulates Campus
Executive Officer Vic Binasoy
for this feat and thanked Mr.
Macluven T. Gonzales for
initiating the endeavor.

CSU Piat Campus is home to the Dairy niche of the University and is where research and innovation in the said area is conducted. It also manufactures the brand "Ytawes Fresh" which produces milk drinks, yogurts, and pastillas for the public to enjoy. The goal of CSU's Dairy Processing Plant is to be the Dairy Capital of Region II.



## CSU GONZAGA UNITES FOR MASSIVE TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY

as it conducted a massive tree planting activity at the heart of the campus last February 5, 2020.

University President Urdujah A. Tejada and CEO Froilan A. Pacris, Jr. led the administrative officials, campus officials, faculty, and the student body of CSU Gonzaga as they marched their way to the foot of Mt. Tabungao to plant fruit bearing trees. "We want to create a campus that is beaming with nature, not for us, but for our children and the future generation" said CEO Pacris in his Rationale of the Activity Speech.

The project aimed to promote biodiversity by mobilizing the six colleges of CSU-Gonzaga in giving back to mother nature. At the same time, the activity is also a tribute to President Tejada who recently celebrated her birthday and is an enthusiast of celebrating her special day through charity work and proenvironment activities.

CEO Froilan Pacris promised that this is only the beginning of more greening initiatives and that CSU Gonzaga will be more ardent in advocating for other greening activities in the future, not only in the campus, but also in the University's partner communities. Solution



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hree university key officials from Australia's James Cook University landed in Tuguegarao City last February 13, 2020 for a familiarization visit and an Inception Meeting to discuss possible partnerships with Cagayan State University and other collaborating agencies.

Prof. Ian Wronski, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Health; Mr. Vignesh Vijayaraghavan, Head of International Recruitment and International Directorate; and Prof. Maxine Whittekar, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health were welcomed by President Tejada as she briefed the JCU officials about Cagayan State University.

To fully prompt the conversation on international partnership, a roundtable discussion also transpired at CSU Hotel's Function Hall that involved the topic on Tropical Medicine. Dr. Julius Capili, CSU's Dean of the College of Allied Health Sciences, presented the Status of Neglected Tropical Diseases in Cagayan Valley.

Furthermore, Prof. Wronski and Prof. Whittekar also introduced James Cook University and its research areas in Tropical Health and Medicine and Tropical Environments and Socities. Other collaborative initiatives were also discussed during the meeting.

Aside from the CSU Officials, patrner agencies were also tapped to widen the reach of the international efforts of the University. The regional line agencies that were present during the event included

the Commission on Higher Education Region 02, National Economic Development Authority Region 02, Cagayan Valley Health Research and Development Consortium, and Philippine Institute of Traditional and Alternative Healthcare. Mariano Marcos State University, Tarlac Agricultural University, and St. Paul University Philippines were also part of the discussion as associates in the education field.

HRINTERNATIONAL OFFERS INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES TO CSUans



In the University's quest to expose the CSU community to the International market and to boost their chances of post-graduate success, a program presentation on International Educational and Cultural Exchange Program from HR International Inc. at CSU Andrews' Conference Hall transpired on February 26, 2020.

Mr. Benito Olivete and Mr. Carlo Pacquing from HR International Inc. discussed in detail the internship programs that students can avail to have international work experience. Administrative Officials, Campus Executive Officers, and Deans were able to raise their queries and concerns to the guests regarding the Job and Industry options for students and the assistance the organization can offer.

HR International Inc. is an organization that is dedicated to organizing international exchange programs for Filipino students as it strives to assist in availing opportunities for voluntary internship and training programs in the USA.

#### **CSU STRENGTHENS INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS**

rmed with the new vision to be a world class University, Cagayan State University continues to strengthen its international linkages through a brainstorming meeting last January 29, 2020.

The meeting was attended by the College Deans representing various academic programs. Prof. Ana Marie Cauilan, the Focal Person for Internationalization, introduced to the body the different opportunities for

collaboration that are available for both the students and faculty. These pursuits expand from student and faculty academic endeavors, research initiatives, and extra curricular activities.

A needs assessment was also done by the deans to identify the possible areas for international collaboration where University President Urdujah A. Tejada shared her insights on possible strides that each college can make to fully mobilize their internationalization targets.



### PRESIDENT TEJADA GRACES <u> JUNIOR & SENIOR SCOUT PROVINCIAL JAMBO</u>I





SU Piat gives home to the 70th Junior Scout and 24th Senior Scout Provincial Jamboree. The Grand Opening Ceremonies for the 2020 Provincial Jamboree transpired last March 4, 2020 where scout representatives from the different districts of the Cagayan Province gathered for the annual event. This year's theme is "SCOUTING: Gabay Tungo sa Magandang Buhay"

In her words of welcome, University President Urdujah A. Tejada said that

the theme is timely because we need to develop more leaders in the society who are team players and who cares for their team members. She emphasized that "great teams understand that the chain is only as strong as the weakest link". Atty. Carmello Villacete and CSÚ Piat Campus' CEO Victor Binasoy also welcomed the participants and said that it is an opportune time to visit the campus as it is recognized as a DOT Accredited Agri-Tourism Site and a Dairy Research

Production Center.

Governor Mamba also extended his inspirational message to the scouts through Ret. Gen. Robert Damian who wishes the success of the event and hopes for the safe and secure conduct of activities.

The highlight of the event was an inspirational message from Roberto M. Pagdanganan, former Bulacan Governor and former Secretary of DOT And DAR, now the National President of the Boys Scout of the Philippines who

was the first national president to join in Cagayan's Provincial Scout Jamboree. He shared the three flagship projects of BSP which are growth in membership, tree planting and nurturing, and promotion of road safety.

ĆSU Piat Campus' Camp Urdujah will be the venue of the scouts' activities for the duration of the jamboree. This was the 3rd time that CSU Piat hosted the Provincial Jamboree. 😺 -UIO

## **CSU OFFICIALS GEAR UP FOR 2020**



he Annual 2020 Performance Evaluation and Target Setting commenced last January 16 to 17, 2020 at Microtel by Wyndham Baguio. This is a two day intensive activity participated by the Vice Presidents, Campus Executive Officers of the eight campuses, and other key officials who were set to align the goals and targets of the University for the year.

In her talk, University President Urdujah A. Tejada said that all targets that will be set must lead towards the university vision to achieve a global stature in the arts, culture, agriculture - fisheries, sciences, and the technological and professional fields.

Mr. Ramon Henry Kanapi, University Planning Officer, presented the results of the Performance-Based Bonus 2019. MIS Director Richard Ayuyang, on the other hand, presented the results of the SUC Levelling. While Dr. Florentina S. Dumlao, the University Technical Adviser, discussed the Transforming Strategic Plan 2020 to the SPMS of University Personnel. The Vice Presidents also presented their targets for 2020.

Furthermore, an intensive brainstorming session by the President, Vice Presidents, and Campus Executive Officers ensued as they set steps on how to effectively execute and meet their deliverables. 💝 -UIO

## **CSUans WIN AS ONE FOR UNIVERSITY MEET 2020**

officials, coaches, and student athletes from all 8 campuses of Cagayan State University gathered at CSU Carig's Red Eagle Gymnasium for the Opening Program of the annual University Meet last January 27,

With great emphasis on this year's theme, "CSUans Winning as One", University President Urdujah A. Tejada reminded the participants to exhibit camaraderie and sportsmanship in their respective sport. She also added that "may this University Meet harness unity among all the campuses of CSU". On the other hand, Vice President for Academic Affairs Mariden V. Cauilan, in her welcome message, said that the event was part of attaining the vision of the University to create holistic individuals in order to become a world class institution. "We need to offer more than a degree, we must offer depth to your character" she added.

The Campus Executive Officers also proudly presented their delegations as each team chant their cheers and yells. The event also paved the way for the ceremonial lighting of torch and raising of banners, signaling the start of the University Meet. 😇 -UIO



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# 2020 CIT PRODUCT TRADE FAIR SHOWCASES STUDENTS' CREATIVITY

By: Rio Averil C. Pamittan
Faculty, College of Information Technology

The College of Industrial Technology once again flaunted the innovativeness and dexterity of the faculty and students through the 2020 CIT Product Trade Fair.

Graced by University President Urdujah A. Tejada, who served as the guest for the ribbon cutting ceremony together with CEO Arthur Ibanez, the activity showcased artful and clever hand works in the fields of Electrical and Electronics, Drafting, Garments, Food, and Mechanical Technology. This is to inspire and encourage the students to craft more ingenious creations and to open avenues for income generating

opportunities while learning and fostering craftsmanship and collaborative work.

"Every year, the College is very proud to host this endeavor where the students' products in their respective shop areas are shown to the community for it to become a source of income to them to get through their academic journey", said Dr.

Aurelio Caldez, the Dean of the college.

Student Regent Reial Taguinod, the different CEOs of the CSU campuses, University and Campus Officials, also witnessed the ceremony and toured the display areas.





#### CSU GONZAGA HANDS IN 5 PORTASOL UNITS TO CSU LASAM

By: Janilete A.R. Cortez

n February 5, 2020, CEO Froilan A. Pacris of CSU-Gonzaga, and with the presence of University President Urdujah A. Tejada, handed in five units of PORTASOLs (Portable Solar Dryers) to CSU-Lasam through CEO Florante Victor M. Balatico which will be used in drying cacao beans as a support to the Cacao Processing Program of the campus.

The PORTASOL units are joint ventures of Cagayan State University and DOST Region 02 in an effort to boost the community of cacao farmers and producers.

<u>Ît has also been noted that</u>

there is a growing number of cacao farmers in the community, thus, in order for CSU -Lasam to provide extension services and to cater to the requests of cacao farmer-partners, CEO Balatico and Campus Extension Coordinator Prof. Bernard P. Madarang came up with an intervention which was immediately supported by the University President. The PORTASOLs will be of great help to the Extension Program the campus especially of during rainy season where cacao farmers find difficulty in drying their products.



# CSU LASAM CONDUCTS CAPACITY BUILDING AND SITE VISIT FOR CACAO PROCESSING PROGRAM

By: Janilete A.R. Cortez Campus Information Officer, CSU Lasam



SU-Lasam, through its RDE Office, spearheaded a capacity building on cacao production and processing which was attended by fifty (50) cacao growers from Lasam, Cagayan and Baggao, Cagayan and a site visit at Sta. Margarita, Baggao, Cagayan to validate existing cacao plantations on January 30, 2020 and February 21, 2020 respectively.

In the capacity building, CEO Florante Victor M. Balatico welcomed and thanked the participants for the cooperation and display of enthusiasm towards the program while VP for RDE Junel Guzman delivered a message where she motivated the growers to keep on expanding the

cacao community as CSU will continue to share its services to help the farmers gear towards the products' sustainable development.

Extension Director Prof. Josie Y. Bas-Ong and KTM Director Gilbert C. Magulod Jr. and some of the campus officials were also in attendance.

Mr. Noli Garcia, president of Cagayan Cacao Federation shared a lecture on Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) on Cacao Production and Processing while Engr. Emeterio Maneja, owner of Terry's Cacao Farm, gave a lecture on Cacao Fermentation Process so as to improve the quality of cacao beans produced by the growers.

Campus Extension
Coordinator Prof. Bernard P.
Madarang also gave a lecture
on the processes of drying
cacao beans through the use of
PORTASOL and the Mechanical
Drying Machine of the campus.
Marketing of dried cacao beans
was also discussed.

On the other hand, the site visit which was led by CEO Balatico and Prof. Madarang was joined in by Mr. Noli Garcia and Mr. Doming Balanza, president of Baggao Cacao Growers Association.

Profiling of Baggao cacao growers was also conducted during the visit after the courtesy call at Baggao LGU and at Sta. Margarita Barangay Council.

By: Arlene D. Talosa
Campus Information Officer, CSU Aparri

iming to upscale the quality of technical-vocational education and training (TVET) programs for the development of a more competitive Filipino workforce at Aparri, Cagayan State University subjected its TVET Programs in the Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) STAR award on February 11, 2020 at the CSUA Conference.

TESDA's star rating system aims to recognize accomplishments the and improvements that Technical Vocational (TVIs) Institutions have instituted in their programs to further enhance their TVET system. The system also targets to identify TVIs' registered programs that surpassed the

minimum requirements of TESDA's Unified TVET Program Registration and Accreditation System (UTPRAS). Said system utilizes four major objective and evidence-based criteria, namely: Governance and Curriculum Management, Development, Support Program Services, and Performance Measures with corresponding stars.

Confident with its humble accomplishments from its TVET offerings, CSUA's self-evaluation as per validated reached 446 points tantamount to Center of Technical Proficiency and is 29 points short of 3 stars as per assessment and scrutiny of STAR Regional Review Committee who evaluated the accomplished self-evaluation

instrument and completeness of supporting documents as attachments. On-site evaluators were Dir. Romeo Talosig, Fatima Carag, Marinel Ciriaco, Marly Usigan Baniel and Enrique King Castillon Garcia.

CSUA according to Prof Minerva M. Galabay, the campus TVET Coordinator is the sole tertiary institution outside TESDA who took part in the said award participated in by Technical Vocational Institutions (TVIs) and Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programs in the country. Hence, the first to be subjected for National level as per recommendation by the TESDA evaluators.

"You can make it to 3 stars. You just need to append the needed documents. You still have time", says Dir. Talosig.

Professor Raschil Battung, the college Dean who takes the lead for the preparation of the needed STAR documents says the College of Hospitality Management already submitted its letter of intent to the Provincial Office for recommendation to the National and External Evaluators.

"Everything was catapulted by our University President. We are hopeful to reach the three stars. We still need to fulfil the lacking documents yet whether we get 2 or 3, these stars shall be a symbol of something beautiful, good, and positive for our campus." said the Campus Executive Officer, Dr. Simeon R. Rabanal, Jr.

# CSU PIAT PARTNERS WITH TESDA FOR TVET TRAINING INDUCTION

By: Joselina A. Azucena Campus Information Officer, CSU Piat

**l**echnical-Vocational Education Training (TVET) program of CSU Piat subjected the 25 Rice Extension Services Program (RESP) scholars under Drying and Milling Plant Servicing NC III and the 50 Training for Work Scholarship Program (TWSP) grantees enlisted in the Agricultural Crop Production NCII to a Training Induction conducted by the Technical Education Skills Development Authority (TESDA) last February 4,2020 at CSU Piat.

Ms. Josephine Cabrera, Senior Supervising Specialist from TESDA Provincial Office oriented the scholars on the training protocols, rules and policies, their benefits as scholars, and the employability monitoring measures implemented by TESDA to its scholars after the training duration has been completed.

The RESP scholars under the Drying and Milling Plant Servicing NC III have to undergo a 32-day training and will avail the benefits of free training, assessment, entreprenuership costs, and a 160 pesos daily allowance.

The 25 RESP scholars are from Solana, Piat, Sto. Niño, Amulung, and Tuguegarao who are enlisted on the Registry System for Basic Sector in Agriculture (RSBSA) rice farmers or their family members.

The training for RESP scholars, both theoretical and hands-on activities, are conducted at Cayan Valley Development Cooperative (CAVADECO) Drying and Milling Plant as part of the Memorandum of Agreement forged between CSU Piat and CAVADECO.

On the other hand, the TWSP scholars under Agricultural Crop Production NC II will undergo the 42-day school-based training program of CSU Piat.

As scholars, they avail the

free training and assessment costs.

The 50 scholars are clienteles from Tuao, Sto. Niño, Rizal, Peñablanca, Amulung and Piat. These scholars are composed of Out-of-School Youth, College Graduates, Farmers, and Displaced Workers.

All these TVET scholars will receive training from National TVET Trainers Certificate Holders who are mostly instructors of CSU Piat College of Agriculture.

Meanwhile, this and other efforts of the TVET Program of CSU Piat, spearheaded by CEO Vicente S. Binasoy Jr., the TVET Coordinator Campus Pattugalan, Nonito Campus Liaison Officer Dr. Herbert Imatong to better their accomplishment last year as this campus was granted Top 4 Performing Technical-Vocational Institution in the province based on the over-all number of training outputs and beneficiaries for 2019.





# 6 PROGRAMS OF CSU-SM RECEIVE LEVEL II AACCUP ACCREDITATION STATUS

By: Verlino D. Baddu





ix academic programs of CSU-Sanchez Mira campus are now Level II Accredited as confirmed by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACCUP) in its letter which was received last February 4, 2020. This is the result of the survey visit conducted by the AACCUP team of accreditors held last October 7-9.

2019.

The six programs that received Level II accreditation status include the Bachelor Elementary Education, of Bachelor of Secondary Education, Bachelor of Science Information Technology, Science Bachelor of Accounting Technology, of Bachelor Science Criminology, and Bachelor

of Science in Hospitality Management.

Meanwhile, the Bachelor of Industrial Technology program of CSU-SM also passed the Preliminary Survey visit (PSV), which took place last October 17-19, 2019, and is due for Level I visit anytime this year 2020. This will be visited along with the five programs in the Graduate School of CSU-SM

which also passed the PSV during the second quarter of 2019.

According to AACCUP, passing the standards of the 2nd Survey Visit sets the programs at a higher level of quality than the immediately preceding survey visit. The programs are awarded Level II Re-accredited status which is good for five years.

CSU SM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FLEXES "PALMIRA



**((**County road... take me home..."

visitors, Guests, and tourists alumni visiting the Cagayan State Sanchez Mira University -Nagbaranganan (CSU-SM) site and who would wish to have an overnight rest and relaxation closest to nature can soon occupy this "Palmira Homestay", is a joint project the CSÚ-SM Álumni Association (CSU-SMAA) and the CSU-SM administration.

"We have a vision for Nagbaranganan- the old site of Cagayan State University Sanchez Mira campus - to be the Center of Agro-

and Organic Ecotourism Farming in the region. In with the Alumni partnership who are one of the strongest pillars of this institution, we dream to establish the Palmira Homestay where we expect this will spark all other batches and benefactors contribute for the holistic development of the area" said the Campus Executive Officer, Dr. Narcitas Biado -Ouano during the first meeting with the new set of CSU- Sanchez Mira Alumni Association officers led by its President, Mr. Von Ryan Á. Que.

With the initiative of the current alumni leadership,

the Palmira Homestay was conceived for Nagbaranganan. The Alumni Center which was already planned with the blueprint was laid on the table forging greater support from all CSU- Sanchez Mira Alumni all over the world. Efforts were focused on the establishment of the "Kubotel" which was then called Palmira homestay adopting the identity of Sanchez Mira as the town of the coconut palm. It is equipped with basic amenities such as comfort room, a living room, lavatory and mezzanine which will surely make a homey stay in Palmira.

"The Palmira Homestay is

now ready for homecomers and stands as a model blueprint for other organization to follow like the faculty organization of the campus and other affiliates hoping that as they see one, they will also be touched and inspired to donate and put up one. Two or three then we can create like a homestay village" CSUSMAA President Que stated in an interview.

Que also said that the project is hoped to accommodate guests, tourists, visitors and alumni who would like to enjoy nature and could serve as an economic activity for the organization.

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