

## Attachment 3. Major Accomplishments of the Provincial Government of Cavite for FY 2013

### Local Administration Sector

#### Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation – Enhanced Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan

The Province of Cavite was recognized by the Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (RDRRMC) IV-A to be the first province to have a Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) – Enhanced Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan (PDPFP) in the 1st Regional Summit on Disaster Risk Reduction Management (DRRM) for Local Chief Executives held last August 6-7, 2013 at the Heritage Hotel, Pasay City.



The said PDPFP has already been approved by the Regional Land Use Committee and by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

Also, part of the recognition is the Provincial Government of Cavite's relentless efforts in providing technical and logistical assistance to its component cities and municipalities for the completion of their respective DRR-CCA-enhanced Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUPs).

Selected Local Government Units were recognized during the event for their notable accomplishments in the implementation of DRRM and CCA activities within their jurisdictions. The RDRRMC also acknowledges the determination of the Province of Cavite in the full implementation of the Republic Act 10121 or the



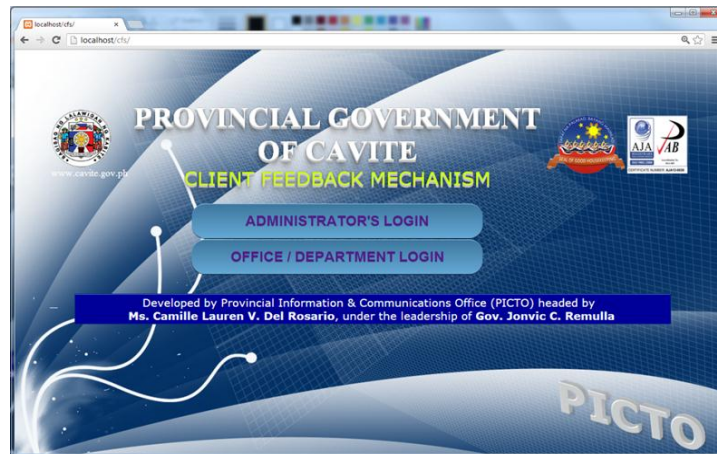
“Philippine DRRM Act of 2010” provisions, as manifested by the Provincial DRRM Council chaired by Governor Jonvic Remulla, creation of DRR Division under its Cavite Office of Public Safety (COPS) which advocates CCA, and for its continuing partnerships with national line agencies and the private sector organizations for climate proofing of its programs and projects.

Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator Mr. Jesus Barrera and COPS Head Ms. Cecil Miranda were among the representatives of the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC) present in the said summit. The PGC featured its best DRR-CCA practices through an audio-visual presentation which was shown during the awarding ceremony, and a banner of the same was likewise displayed at the event's venue.

#### Client's Feedback Monitoring System

The Clients' Feedback Monitoring System is a system developed by Provincial Information and Communications Technology Office (PICTO). PICTO also heads the Feedback Mechanism Committee of Quality Management Office (ISO). This system automatically generates feedback reports and its ratings based on the client's feedback forms encoded online by Cavite Quality Management Office (QMO) personnel. Complaints are also addressed and investigated within 24 hours. Quarterly reports of overall ratings with complaints and commendations are reported in the Top Management Review. PGC highly recognizes the opinion

and/or feedback of its clients in order to continuously improve its services and procedures.



## Economic Sector

### Cavite Cooperative Month Celebration



Theme: Cooperative Paves the Way for Inclusive Growth

The event served as a kick-off activity of the annual province-wide cooperative month celebration every October. It featured a six-component line of activities—the Parade of Municipal/City Development Councils with their respective cooperative delegations; the Opening Salvo which was graced by the high ranking officials of the Cooperative Development Authority and the Provincial/City/Municipal Local Government Units of Cavite; the CO-OLYMPICS which became a showcase of various talents and sportsmanship skills of cooperative members in Cavite; whole day Trade Fair and Exhibits participated in by Cavite Coop-preneurs; Blood-Letting Activity for volunteer blood-donors; and the Awarding Ceremonies for the winners of the Annual Search on Outstanding Cooperatives in the Province of Cavite and giving of Certificates of Recognition and Citations for those cooperatives with special accomplishments and contribution to cooperative development.

The occasion means more than its success to capture the invited 1,981 participants that day. It would continuously impact on the importance of upholding cooperative principles among the 216 operating cooperatives in Cavite with emphasis on the theme: Cooperative Paves the Way for Inclusive Growth (pertaining to the social and economic growth of individual cooperative members and the cooperatives per se as viable socio-economic enterprises of the local community). The celebration is being done annually to foster and establish camaraderie and linkage among cooperative members to attain the objective of encouraging them to tie-up partnerships and collaboration on any possible complementation that would enhance and strengthen their capabilities in delivering services to their respective members. The occasion also serves as one of the

regular strategies being done to sustain the growth of cooperatives as engine of progress that boosts local economy.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Calabarzon Regional MSMed Council Conference

Theme: Priming CALABARZON MSMEs for the ASEAN Economic Community 2015



The conference is the result of Cavite's two previous initiatives—the launching of Cavite GoBiz in 2011, and the hosting of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regional Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Congress on August 29-30, 2012 in Taal Vista Hotel, Tagaytay City. Those events illuminate Cavite's brilliance as a prime mover and advocate of local enterprise development and bring another feather of success to its cap as a modern-day economic revolutionist especially so when the province got the all-out support of the Department of Trade and Industry since said initiatives perfectly match the agency's (DTI's) program on strengthening ties and collaboration among the local enterprise development stakeholders. Since then, with the DTI working side by side together with Cavite's established partner on MSME development, the Cavite Small and Medium Enterprises Development Council (CASMEDC), the province through PCLEDO has become better able to advocate the formation and organization of the CALABARZON Regional MSME Council.

To institutionalize what the province has started together with DTI, Cavite gladly hosted the 1<sup>st</sup> CALABARZON Regional MSME Council Conference on December 03, 2013. The conference became a venue for sharing the experiences of the respective Provincial MSME Councils on their operations. Complementation and learning experiences were fostered, the role of private sector in MSME

development was emphasized, and the Priming of MSMEs for the ASEAN Economic Community in 2015 was thoroughly discussed to inform and prepare the local entrepreneurs to become more competitive in the market.

The activity created favorable forum on how the CALABARZON provinces could complement one another as they consider their respective strengths and growth potentials. Setting of follow up meetings and regular collaboration among the Councils were agreed upon. A resolution to draft a CALABARZON regional MSMEs development plan 2014 to 2016 was passed and adopted to ensure that the Regional Development Council shall have one framework and direction, and all the provincial efforts shall be unified and harmonized. This step also aims that CALABARZON would become a benchmark for the other regions in the country, and ultimately spread the joined and unified efforts on this particular regard country-wide.

## Distribution of Farm Equipment/Machineries in different Farmer's Association in the municipalities of Magallanes, Maragondon, Ternate, Mendez, Silang, and Gen. Aguinaldo

The Provincial Government of Cavite led by Gov. Jonvic Remulla, through the effort of the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist headed by Ms. Lolita Pereña and Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs Redel John Dionisio distributes farm equipment/machineries to different farmers association from the municipalities of Magallanes, Maragondon, Ternate, Mendez, Silang, and Gen. Aguinaldo on November 18, 2013 at the Farmer's/Fishermen's Hall in Trece Martires



City. Farm equipment include five units of power tiller and cultivator, four units of super kuliglig hand tractor and two units of palay thresher.

## Launching of Cavite Banner Products

The project is part of the Cavite GoBiz program for enterprise development. Eight promising products with good market potentials were initially identified and selected to be featured in a product brochure. These are the Pahimis Blend coffee of Cafe' Amadeo Development Cooperative, tuyo and tinapa (dried and smoked fish) of Carm Food Enterprises, instant salabat (ginger tea) of Delfa's Food Products, best dairy products of General Trias Dairy Raisers Multi Purpose Cooperative, muscovado (organic raw sugar) of Magallanes Women's Club Multi-Purpose Cooperative, oyster chips of Ocean Fresh Tahong Chips, pork chicharon of Pat & Kat Foods, and tablea (chocolate tablet) of Alfonso Tablea Producers Cooperative.



The launching of these eight Cavite made products through production of brochure aims to mark the desired market improvement and change PCLEDO intends to accomplish through comprehensive assistance on product development, promotions and marketing. Hopefully, the success of this initial project would rekindle more entrepreneurial aspirations and encourage the existing local entrepreneurs to be more competitive in the market by developing more quality products.

## Job Placement Activities

PESO (Public Employment Services Office) is an institutionalized, multi-employment service facility of the government which aims to aid employers and job seekers and provide labor knowledge through a variety of services and linkages to both government and non-government entities.

The Provincial Public Employment Services Office (PPESO) which mainly caters but is not limited to walk-in applicants conducted a variety of Job Placement Activities for the year 2013. These included activities under the Labor Market Information service, Pre-Employment Guidance and Counselling (PEGC) service, Referral/ Recommendation and Placement service and other related programs.

One of the activities conducted under Labor Market Information Service (LMI) is the generation of job vacancies from our partner companies. The generation of vacancies are based on the demographic characteristics of our job applicants in order to match the needs of our partner companies. This process began through the regular scheduled follow up conducted by PPESO. Also as part of LMI, PPESO also produced information pertaining to the labor supply and demand and regularly updated its list of active partner companies. PPESO also has various LMI Boards which are maintained regularly. Other information related to labor and employment alongside job vacancies garnered are properly reported and posted on the LMI boards.



***A Pre-Employment Guidance Counselling is an important part of the hiring process as it educates the applicant and enhances their employability***

PPESO also conducted job-matching wherein the office recommends prospective job applicants to employers that match their skill set and qualifications. If the applicant manages to submit all the necessary requirements for employment, a registration form

will be filled-out and PPESO will coordinate with the client's preferred company. Through this, the applicant will be duly informed regarding the date of visit to the company of their choice and the requirements that the applicant should bring.

Afterwards, the applicant would undergo Pre-Employment Guidance and Counselling (PEGC) to enhance their employability. It is initiated through a brief

introduction to PESO. The applicant would also be given a PEGC kit which contains tips for aspiring job seekers. PPESO also assists applicants in enhancing their resumes.



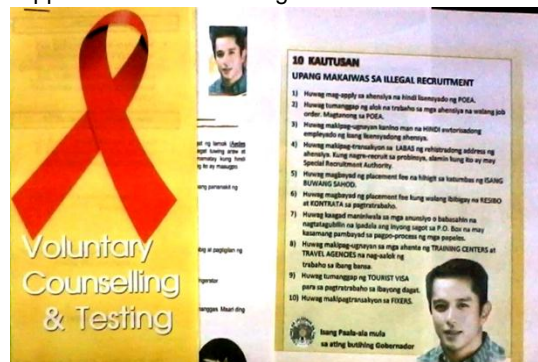
**An applicant creates an account at Phil-Job.Net. She, along with other applicants was given a password slip (right) to serve as reminder of their account details**

One of the services available under PEGC is access to Phil-JobNet. It is a free and official web-based matching facility by the government which aims to speed up and simplify the process of finding work for applicants and to aid employers in looking for potential employees through the job vacancies they posted. It not only catered to potential applicants and employers but it also aimed to aid labor unions and

educational institutions. The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) and PPESO encourages and helps workers and companies to be registered on the said website.

Meanwhile, under the Referral/Recommendation and Placement services, PPESO generates a referral letter to the job applicant's company of choice. After approval, it will then be released to the job applicant. The client is given various Information Education and Communication (IEC) materials. These includes leaflets concerning Anti-Illegal Recruitment, Anti Dengue, HIV information and Livelihood Training materials to help educate the applicant regarding various topics that are of concern to Filipino labourers.

PPESO also regularly monitors the referred applicant in order to document it and determine if



**An example of an Information Education and Communication (IEC) pamphlet, one of the various IEC materials given to applicants**

the referral was successful. This is done through contacting the applicant via text message or telephone calls. The employer would also be asked for a feedback which is obtained through a monitoring survey form sent to the company; this is in order to update PPESO regarding the progress of the job application of the client. An office discussion regarding the status of the referred applicants is also being conducted every Friday or whenever the need arises.

In addition, other related programs such as job fair assistance and job fair participation were also carried out by PPESO as part of their job placement activities.

For the Job Fair assistance, PPESO coordinated with DOLE and other Cavite PESO managers and procured a copy of the annual or monthly schedule of job fairs to be conducted. PPESO's job fair assistance duties include contacting potential employers for the job fairs. PPESO also makes job fair announcements during the Monday flag ceremony as well as via the LMI boards to create public awareness.

PPESO also participated in Job fairs wherein they joined the program events. They also validated job fair concerns such as determining the number of attendees, employers and job vacancies and ensuring over-all fair conduct during the affair. A report regarding the job fair conducted is being produced and new job vacancies garnered during the event were then posted to the LMI boards.



**Applicants swarm in, as the organizers assisted them during the labor day job fair, alongside many partner companies such as Coca-cola Bottlers and SM Hypermarket to mention a few.**

Through all of these efforts, a total of 25,010 jobs were generated in the year 2013. Likewise, there are eight job fairs that PPESO was able to assist, eight job fairs that PPESO attended and one job fair conducted and assisting a total of five hundred (500) jobseekers.

## 2nd AGRI FEST and Farmers'/Fishermen's Congress

The provincial government of Cavite with its partner, Cavite Modern Grower's Inc. (CMGI) hosted the 2nd Cavite Agrifest and Farmers'/Fishermen's Congress on March 25, 2013 at the provincial gymnasium in Trece Martires City. This year's assembly was themed "**Pagsasama-sama ng mga Magsasaka at Mangingisda, Tungo sa mas Maunlad na Pagsasaka ng Komunidad**" in line with Gov. Jonvic Remulla's agenda for agricultural development in the province.

Preparations were spearheaded by the offices of the Provincial Agriculturist and Provincial Veterinary to bring together agriculture stakeholders in Cavite for an input-intensive event that aims to cascade the information down to local farmers



and fisher folks thru lectures and Technology Forum. Among the relevant topics that were discussed are Organic Agriculture and the provisions of RA 10068 or the Organic Agriculture Act of 2010.

Local agriculture produce were also showcased in the Trade Fair and Exhibit as added perk for participants and was able to draw consumers for fresh farm picks.

This year's participants were pegged at three thousand one hundred (3,100). The provincial government granted farm inputs which include one unit 90HP Heavy Duty Tractor, 1.9 million worth of assorted vegetable seeds and 1.9 million worth of organic fertilizers. Giveaways including 123 sacks of rice, 2,000 cans of sardines,

appliances, and gift checks worth P2,000 were distributed to lucky participants during the raffle while the winner of the "pinaka-vegetables" contest went home with P20,000.

Aside from these, 7th district Cong. Boying Remulla donated one million pesos worth of PLANTERS/NOBAC products while BFAR-REG IV-A granted 150,000 tilapia fingerlings. Sustamina Feeds also donated 1,000 chicks while Cavite Livestock, Poultry and Feedmillers Association Inc. provided 52 piglets. Other organizations also pledged their support including DA-RFU-IV-A, Mitsuba Philippines, O.M. Manufacturing Phils. Inc., P.IMES Corporation, Admin EPZA, Paradizoo, Nestle Philippines, Gold East-Asia Mall Corporation, Best Chemical Product, Inc. and United Nations-Food and Agriculture Organization.

## Science and Technology Based-Farm (STBF) in Cavite

An agricultural "Field Day" held on December 5, 2013 at a coffee farm owned by Magsasaka Siyentista Teodoro M. Dela Cruz in Minantok East, Amadeo, marks a triumphant upshot as he discovered the benefit of Science and Technology (S&T) on coffee production. It was the fruit of the collaborative undertakings of the Provincial Government led by Cavite Governor Jonvic Remulla through the Farmers Information Technology Services (FITS)-Office of the Provincial Agriculturist, the Philippine Council for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources and Development (PCARRD), the Southern Tagalog Agriculture and Resources Research and Development (STARRDEC), and the Cavite State University.



## Provision of Animal Health Services

In support to the Provincial Government of Cavite's (PGC) thrust to make Cavite 'First Class, World Class,' the Provincial Veterinary Office (PVO) has developed one process as part of ISO 9001:2008 Certification Expansion Project, which is the **Provision of Animal Health Services**. The services include: Vaccination, Deworming, Treatment and Castration.



The implementation of the process started on October, 2013 in preparation for external audit. From the month of October to December, 2013, the office was able to attain higher than the target accomplishment of 90% requested services provided. For the month of October, a total of 130 services were provided out of 135 services requested, with 96.29% accomplishment over the target. With 130 services requested, a total of 132 services were provided, 101.51% accomplishment over the target for the month of November. And, for the month of December, a total of 108 services were provided for 108 services requested giving 100% accomplishment over the target.

The office was able to attain 98.55%, 98.78% and 99% rating for client's satisfaction for the month of October, November and December, respectively, over the target of at least 90% rating per month. To date, the office has no record for customer complaint and, with high ratings, the office has received positive feedbacks and several commendations based on the report from PICTO as reflected on Client's Feedback Form collected from the office. And, as far as workplace is concerned, the office has attained 91.22% rating for cleanliness and orderliness over the target of not lower than 90% maintained. As marked in the office's accomplishment, set Quality Objectives were being attained and is continually improving services to assure full compliance with ISO 9001:2008 standards.

## Meat Inspection Program

Meat Inspection Services Section of the Provincial Veterinary Office (PVO) was able to coordinate with Local Chief Executives of 15 municipalities and 5 cities of Cavite to present their program which consisted of monitoring, inspection and disinfection of slaughterhouses, dressing plants and meat processing plants within

the locality. The PVO was able to inspect and disinfect 65 slaughterhouses, 39 dressing plants and 2 processing plants.

Six meetings of Cavite Meat Inspectors Association (CAMIA), an organization which the PVO supervises were also conducted. Regarding the data of slaughtered animals in cities and municipalities of Cavite, a total of 514,045 heads of swine, 33,039 cattle, 3,913,376 poultry, 394 carabao and 898 goats were slaughtered for 2013.

Last November 25, 2013 an ordinance entitled "The Cavite Meat Inspection Ordinance" passed its final hearing through the effort of Provincial Veterinarian Dr. Dominador A. Borja and Board Member Ivy Reyes of Silang, Cavite.

Also, last December 6, 2013, the PVO team inspected the CAFFMACO slaughterhouse in San Vicente II, Silang, Cavite. The establishment was unsanitary and does not follow hygienic slaughtering procedures. Dr. Dominador A. Borja conducted a dialogue with the CAFFMACO Board of Directors last December 11, 2013 and he advised that their slaughterhouse should be closed for operation.



This January 16, 2014, PVO reinspected the establishment and this time the place was renovated, new facilities and equipment were installed and they were given the go signal to resume their operation.

To sum it all up, PVO had conducted measures to provide safe, clean and wholesome meat fit for human consumption for every Caviteños in the province.

## Social Sector

### **Caviteños in the 2013 Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Training in South Korea**

The Provincial Government of Cavite and the Jeollabuk-do Office of Education, Republic of Korea has been partners in educational development by promoting a collaborative relationship regarding education and information for the past eight years. They've provided extensive ICT Training for Cavite Public School Teachers and donated numerous and various IT equipment.

On October 10-23, 2013, the ninth batch of the training composed of 16 public elementary and high school teachers and 4 staff of Provincial Information and Communications Technology Office (PICTO) in the province of Cavite flew to Korea in order to adopt the ICT education being implemented in the country.

The participants were trained in using Prezi, Lecture Maker and various ICT Programs as tools in providing effective and efficient education system in Korea which can also be adopted by the Philippines. Trainees were also taught skills on Webpage Design, Basic Trouble Shooting, Multimedia and Smart Education.

Moreover, cultural exchanges occurred through food preparation of Bibimbap, handcrafting Korean Traditional Fan and Korean Traditional Wedding experience. Many cultural places and Korean National Heritages were visited by the Caviteño teachers such as Hanok and Korean Folklore Villages of the old Jeoseon Dynasty in the now Jeonju City. The teachers also toured the Samsung Electronics and other ICT Companies in Korea.



Mr. Kim Seung-hwan, Governor Education, Jeollabuk-do, Korea met some representatives of the Province of Cavite headed by the team leaders, Mr. Silverio Carullo, Information Systems Analyst, PICTO and Ms. Elvira Ambagan, Principal II, Santiago National High School. During the meeting, the officials of Jeollabuk-do Office of Education renewed the friendship between the Korea and the Philippines. Filipinos fought with the South Koreans during the Korean War and the rest was history.

Indeed, Jeollabuk-do Office of Education, Republic of Korea and the Provincial Government of Cavite, Republic of the Philippines had set a partnership that transcends the history of the two countries and looking forward for a stronger relationship.

### **Gov. Jonvic Remulla Provides Scholarship Grants and Educational Assistance to 9,296 Students of Cavite**

Governor Juanito Victor C. Remulla Jr. through the Provincial Scholarship Program provided scholarship grants and distributed educational assistance to selected high-performing and less fortunate students of Cavite from the allotted 15 million pesos scholarship fund.

Last February 5, 2013, Governor Remulla together with the Provincial Scholarship Committee Secretariat, Mr. Alvin S. Mojica, visited Cavite State University – Silang Campus to distribute educational assistance to 1,474 students. This was followed by their visit to Polytechnic University of the Philippines, Maragondon Campus last February 6 where 2,196 students received the scholarship. While on February 9 in the Provincial Capitol Compound, 1,126 online applicants of the e-PSP (e-Provincial Scholarship Program) benefited the financial assistance in addition to the 4,500 students who were awarded last February 11 in the Provincial Gymnasium.



Furthermore, 1,688 walk-in applicants for Assistance for Children and Youth Social Services (ACYSS) were also awarded with the P1.5 million DSWD fund.



The Provincial Government of Cavite headed by Gov. Remulla together with the Provincial Scholarship Program Committee headed by Mr. Mojica encourage students in the province to value education and to continuously commit in fulfilling their aspirations, which will give them an edge in the industry. Gov. Remulla promises to work hand in hand with its citizens towards the future.

## CCC Held 21st Recognition Day

The Cavite Computer Center continuously upholds its commitment to provide and equip Caviteños with significant knowledge in information technology as it commenced its 21<sup>st</sup> recognition day on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2013.

Over 460 students marched at the provincial gymnasium stage after having completed a course(s) of training(s) from basic computer applications to advanced; web designing, networking, database management; video editing and digital effects, and the basics of autocad.



The event was hosted by Mr. Glendolyn Elardo and Ms. Karen dela Cruz and present in the event are the people behind making this free practical computer training possible. Among are Ms. Camille Lauren V. Del Rosario, Provincial ICT Office Head, Ms. Annie Tacazon, Provincial ICT Office Assistant Head, Ms. Ma. Cecilia Gonzaga, Provincial ICT Office Administrative Head, Mr. Momar L. Capistrano, CCC Officer-in-charge, and guest speaker Dr. Camilo Polinga, former Cavite State University-Indang ICT Coordinator now Dean at CvSU-Rosario Branch.

Programme proper started with an invocation led by Mr. Frederick Sayoc followed by opening remarks from Ms. Tacazon. Dr. Polinga talked about the importance of ICT information as it gives access to people from the other side of the world. The difference of 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and education were stated. Emphasized in his speech was the importance of computer education and literacy in technology evolution.

Then Board Member Ramon "Jolo" Revilla III also arrived to witness and partakes in this momentous event. He was pleased to have been invited in this promising occasion and honoured to be with the people behind the institution established by his father Sen. Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr. It was in his gratitude to hand the graduates their certificates.

Special awards were given to students who performed outstanding in various courses offered after everyone trooped down the stage. Closing remarks were given by Ms. Del Rosario. A free photo booth along the entrance of the gymnasium was set and was taken advantage of everyone around.



Indeed, this successful program fully supported by Gov. Jonvic Remulla has added to Cavite's advancement in modernization; making Cavite First Class, World Class!

### 3rd Gov. Jonvic C. Remulla, Jr. Cavite Inter-Gym Taekwondo Competition



Silang Taekwondo Club has triumphantly bagged the title of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Gov. Jonvic C. Remulla, Jr. Cavite Inter-Gym Taekwondo Competition which was held last November 24, 2013 at the Provincial Gymnasium in Trece Martires City. Ten groups with more than 300 contenders from different gyms in the province which were divided in different divisions and categories have competed for the title who received cash and medals from the governor. Also in photo with the winners (from l-r) are Mr. Erick Maglabe, Project Chairman-PSYDO, Mr. Edwin Ambulo, Tournament Director and Mr. Mario Frejillana, OIC Regional 4A Philippine Taekwondo Association. On the other hand, Emilio Aguinaldo College/Immaculate Concepcion Academy and Thunder Kick Taekwondo Club got the second and third place, respectively.

### Medical and Dental Mission

The Provincial Government of Cavite led by Gov. Jonvic Remulla, in cooperation with the SEED Center Phils. Inc conducted a medical and dental mission on Nov. 27, 2013 at Brgy. Maliksi I, Sitio Kabulusan, Bacoor, Cavite. The medical mission aims to provide quality medical and health care services to under privileged individuals and families. More than 300 beneficiaries were



given free check ups, dental and medical assistance thru the assistance of volunteer doctors from Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital.

This activity is just one of the many medical and dental missions conducted by the provincial government thru the effort of the Office of the Governor – Extension Office. The entire program covered 448 barangays all-over Cavite through its 121 missions that were conducted in 88 days benefiting a total of 65,236 Caviteños.

### Rabies Control Program (Vaccination, Castration, Information Education Campaign and Other practices)

Rabies is a preventable viral disease of mammals most often transmitted through the bite of a rabid animal. In the rest of the world, 55,000 people die each year due to this virus. Other animals become infected with rabies and spread it to humans, but dogs are always been the link. The elimination or eradication of the rabies disease has been a great challenge for the Provincial Veterinary Office of Cavite for several years now. A number of activities are underway to prevent rabies occurrence in humans and to control rabies in dogs, these includes anti-rabies vaccination, information education campaign on rabies awareness, mass castration, rabies monitoring & surveillance and coordination with LGU for strict implementation of rabies ordinance. A total of 89,825 heads of dogs & cats has been vaccinated with rabies vaccine in the year 2013 which is 63.78% of the 140,818 dog/cat population. In addition, Provincial Rabies Coordinating Council was created to serve as the backbone for rabies program implementation.

Dog (15 x) and cat (45 x) as prolific as human, thus castration is done by the government licensed veterinarian as one of the strategy in control of dog population & elimination of rabies in the province. A total of 127 heads of dog/cat were castrated from January to December of 2013.

Information Education Campaign on Rabies Awareness was also carried out, through posting in the official website of the Provincial Government Office of Cavite, dissemination of flyers and conduct of lectures & symposiums in different localities of the province in which 1,100 people have been oriented regarding the disease.

The staff of the Animal Health Section of the Provincial Veterinary Office performed the rabies surveillance & monitoring through routine visitation of the twenty-three Municipal Agriculture Offices/ Veterinary Offices for data & information gathering regarding the cases of rabies and the status of the implementation of rabies ordinance in their respective localities and we aimed to eliminate or eradicate rabies on or before 2020 to support our objective for a Rabies- Free Cavite.



Dr. Gloria Digma (Acting Assistant Provincial Veterinarian) during mass rabies vaccination at Bacoor City

## Cavite hosts Regional Population Congress

Increase on the population growth in the region has been one of the major concerns of various sectors in the public service. Hence, the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC) headed by Gov. Jonvic Remulla extends its support to the Commission on Population-Regional Office No. IV (CALABARZON & MIMAROPA) as host province in the celebration of the Regional Population Congress held at the Cavite Provincial Gymnasium on November 26, 2013 with the theme “**Empowering Families, Transforming Communities.**”

Population officers from Region IV-A and B convene on the one-day activity and participate actively for a common objective which aims to share best practices and successful initiatives on the three (3) program components of PPMP such as Responsible Parenting and Family Planning (RPF), Adolescent Health and Youth Development Program (AHYDP) and Gender and Development (GAD). The Congress also aims to recognize RPF couples from 4Ps and non-4Ps areas, as well as to provide venue for camaraderie and knowledge-sharing among inter-province participants.

Cavite Provincial Population Officer Lorena R. Cron warmly welcomes guests and participants who came from all the provinces in Region IV, while Board Member Irene Bencito, being the Chairperson of the Committee on Women, Family, Elderly and Social Services gave her inspirational message on behalf of Governor Jonvic Remulla. The presence of Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs Engr. Redel John Dionisio also showed sincere support in this endeavour. Certificate of

recognition, prizes and tokens were granted to the winners of the 2013 Search for RP-FP Model Couple in CALABARZON.

## Cavite’s continuing friendship with Republic of Korea

The collaborative effort between the Republic of Korea and the Philippines through the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) in uplifting the health status of the Filipinos particularly that of the Caviteños have greatly come a long way. It started in 2002 through the establishments of Korea-Philippines Friendship Project (KPPF); the KPPF Hospital wing at the Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) and KPPF Extension Clinic in Bacao, Gen. Trias, Cavite. The hospital with its extension clinic was intended to serve maternal and child health services. The said facilities currently offer general health services, one of which is a dialysis clinic.

In 2007, the Republic of Korea through the KOICA again granted the construction of the Medical Arts Building (MAB) which is to serve as the OPD section of KPPF and became the second phase (Phase II) of the health collaboration project



between the two countries. The third phase (phase III) component of the KPPF Project is the Cavite Collaboration Center for Public Health (CCCPH).

The development of the third phase component involved a series of consultations between representatives of the two countries represented by their respective key person; for KOICA, **MR. DONGWON-AHN**, Leader – Implementation Survey Team and for the province, Cavite Governor **Hon. JUANITO VICTOR C. REMULLA, JR.** For the third phase project, the government of the Republic of Korea provided through KOICA a grant aide of no more than US\$3M (Three Million US dollars) equivalent to three billion four hundred fifty million Korean Won (KRW 3,450,000,000) as of October 2010.

The ground-breaking took place on March 20, 2012 attended by no less than His Excellency **LEE JONG SEON**, Vice President of KOICA and the delegates from the Korea and Philippine Office came; for the Philippines, Usec. **TEODORO J. HERBOSA**, Asec. **GERARDO BAYUGO**, former DOH Region IV-A Director, Dir. **EDGARDO GONZAGA**, all from the Department of Health, and Cavite Governor **JUANITO VICTOR "JONVIC" REMULLA**. After a year of construction, the Cavite Collaboration Center for Public Health was inaugurated on September 9, 2013.

The CCCPH was envisioned to be the regional model of a collaborative and integrated health care delivery system in the CaLaBaRZon area. It will function as a Service Provider, as a Training Center and as Technical Assistance Provider. It offers services such as Tuberculosis Diagnostic Laboratory Unit, Water Analysis Laboratory Unit, Blood Collecting Unit, Mother and Child Unit, Multi-Purpose Unit, Provincial Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit, Field Health Services Information System Office and Health Education & Promotion Office, Training Centers, Auditorium, Male and Female Lecturer's Room as well as, a space for wellness.

### Monitoring of the Provincial Government's Resettlement Projects

The Provincial Housing Development and Management Office is conducting ocular inspections of all resettlement sites at least twice a year. For the year 2013, the actual field work was conducted during the months of June and December. The data collated assure that all awardees are the actual beneficiaries of the projects and ensure that the projects are free from syndicated squatters.



As of December 2013, a total of eight hundred twenty-seven (827) families were awarded home lots at the resettlement sites at Barangay Sta. Isabel "A", Barangay Sta. Isabel "B", Toclong Resettlement Project "A", Toclong Resettlement Project "B" – Phase 1 and Toclong Resettlement Project "B" – Phase 2. Of the total one thousand three hundred seventy-one (1, 371) lots, there are still five hundred forty-four (544) un-awarded home lots.

Resettlement Site	Actual Total No. of Lots	Actual Total No. of Awardees/beneficiaries
Sta. Isabel "A"	102	100
Sta. Isabel "B"	139	131
Toclong "A"	316	316
Toclong "B" – Phase 1	337	244
Toclong "B" – Phase 2	477	36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1, 371</b>	<b>827</b>
No. of un-awarded home lots		544

There are cases wherein the awardees have not yet resettled in their allocated home lots, thus, were not yet included in the survey of the actual occupants.

Included in the development of the resettlement sites is the program for electrical supply, water supply, road network, drainage system, and health and livelihood education thru the assistance of the local government units who has jurisdiction over the sites.



However, despite incessant warnings against selling of the awarded lots, there were reports gathered that there are awardees that are actually using their allocation for profit either thru selling or renting it out. In the report received from the Homeowners Association of Pinagkaloob 1 (Toclong Resettlement Project "A"), there are about nineteen (19) awardees who sold out their home lots and

about six (6) awardees who leased their home/homelot. There are still various reports of the same transactions from the other resettlement sites which are still being verified by this Office.

## Environment Sector

### Provincial Government of Cavite Champions Disaster Preparedness



As part of its disaster preparedness advocacy initiatives and in an effort to craft a comprehensive Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Plan (PDRRMP), the Provincial Government of Cavite through the leadership of Governor Jonvic C. Remulla conducted an Information and Education Campaign held on May 20 to 24, 2013 at Tanza Oasis Hotel and Resort.

Dubbed as “Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Framework Planning Mainstreaming Camp Coordination and Camp Management”, this five-day training workshop was jointly organized by the Provincial Government-Cavite Office of Public Safety (PG-COPS), Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO), Provincial Planning and Development Office (PPDO) and Cavite Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and in order to introduce and integrate Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) in Cavite’s PDRRMP, they teamed up with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) IV-A and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Philippines, an intergovernmental organization established in 1951 that is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society, and seeks to directly address the critical needs of local communities immediately after natural disasters and during the recovery and rehabilitation phases.

CCCM is about how the evacuation center is organized, to meet the basic needs of its residents for services and protection. Its framework promotes community participation in which every person living in a relocation site should participate in

the management of the camp and contribute to build a safe, secure and healthy environment for their community. It also puts a big emphasis on the basic human needs and rights since according to IOM, during natural disasters, Internally Displaced Persons or IDPs lose access to food, water, sanitation, education, health and a safe space to live. The way the evacuation site is set up and managed affects the dignity and capacity for recovery of its residents.

With almost a hundred of participants from the Provincial and Local DRRM Councils, City and Municipal Planning and Social Welfare Offices, MERALCO, Provincial Population Office, Provincial Information and Communications Technology Office and NEDA IV-A, resource speakers who provided the lectures, presentations and workshops came from IOM, DSWD IV-A, Cavite-DILG and PPDO. Participants, in several group activities, were challenged to brainstorm and to come up with plans, strategies and even simulate evacuation camps applying the DRRM and CCCM Framework. Moreover, the five main steps of Contingency Planning - Prepare, Analyze, Develop, Implement and Review were tackled, stressing that “Time spent in contingency planning equals time saved when a disaster occurs.”

Thereafter, the PDRRMC convened for its second quarter meeting and had a dialogue with the LDRRM Officers. The said program is also pursuant to RA 10121 (The Philippine DRRM Act of 2010) which provides, among others, that public sector employees shall be trained in emergency response and preparedness with strong focus on gender responsiveness, sensitivity to indigenous knowledge systems and respect for human rights.

### Disaster Contingency Plan Formulation

In support of the government efforts to enhance the capacities of the Province of Cavite towards Disaster Risk Reduction, the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) Region



IV-A spearheaded the Contingency Plan Formulation Workshop on November 19-22, 2013 at the Makiling Highlands Resort, Barangay Pansol, Calamba City, with the aim to produce a draft Provincial Contingency Plan for a specific hazard and to provide the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC) members and other stakeholders with management and technical capacities, and generate commitment among them to act in a coordinated manner in times of emergency situations.

Provincial Government-Cavite Office of Public Safety (PG-COPS) Head and Provincial DRRM Officer Cecil Miranda formally opened the event through welcome remarks. She said that the Typhoon Yolanda that tremendously hit the regions in Visayas and Mindanao and some areas of Palawan is indeed a justification that Preparedness and Prevention is better than Relief. Ms. Miranda emphasized that the said activity is not only a workshop – it is a call for a strong and definite commitment for each of the PDRRM Council Members and other stakeholders to cooperate and contribute with one another, with Safety, Peace and Order as the topmost priority. OCD Regional DRRMC IV-A Director Vicente Tomazar gave a special message during the opening program where he reiterated three major points: preparedness is very important, communication should be established and the command responsibility of different sectors must be identified and assigned.

The four-day event was participated by forty two (42) representatives from the PDRRMC member offices and agencies, Provincial General Services Office, Cavite State University (CvSU), International Institute for Rural Reconstruction (IRRI), Provincial Information and Community Affairs Department (PICAD) and two Local DRRM Officers from the municipal government units of Noveleta and Cavite City.

Towards the conclusion of the training, a simulation of a worst case scenario was done. Ms. Nelia Tabago, Senior Civil Defense Officer, DRRM Technical Adviser and the main speaker of the workshop, underscored that there should be an established plan for the possible impacts of disaster. Looking forward, the consolidation and validation of all workshop outputs and writeshop for the Contingency Plan draft is set in February 2014, to be followed by endorsement, legislation and activation.

## Philvocs-Dost Conducts REDAS Software Training for the Province Of Cavite

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHILVOCS), the agency mandated to issue earthquake bulletins and provide pertinent information to the public after an earthquake, of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), the Vice Chairperson for Disaster Prevention and Mitigation of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) as provided by Republic Act 10121 or the "Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010", provided the Rapid Earthquake Damage Assessment System

(REDAS) Software Training dubbed as "Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction into Local Development Planning process through the Provision and Training Use of REDAS" to Cavite provincial, municipal and city government units held on September 30 to October 5, 2013 at Subic Holiday Villas, Freeport Zone, Olongapo City.

The 6-day training, which is part of PHILVOCS' "Enhancing Greater Metro Manila Areas (GMMA) Institutional Capacities for Effective Disaster/Climate Risk Management towards Sustainable Development" or "GMMA Ready" Project, was attended by fifty four (54) participants from three (3) of the Provincial Government of Cavite Offices (PG-COPS, PICTO and PPDO), 20 towns of Cavite through their respective Planning and Development Offices and Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Offices, and other delegates from the Local Government Units (LGUs) of Olongapo City and Laguna, Quiapo Church, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) IV-A, Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB) IVA and Office of Civil Defense (OCD).

One of the main objectives of the REDAS software is to provide quick and near real-time simulated earthquake hazard information to disaster managers which will help them in assessing the distribution and extent of the impacts of a strong earthquake and in making prompt decisions for quick deployment of rescue and relief operations. It also aims for the software to serve as a tool in convincing land use planners, policy makers, city and town development planners and even local government executives to consider earthquake hazards in their planning and development efforts so as to ensure long-term mitigation of seismic risks. Among the hazards that could be computed using this tool are ground shaking, earthquake-induced landslides, liquefaction and tsunami. Risk databases including population centers, roads and communication networks, life-lines, high rise buildings, hospitals, schools, churches, banks, markets, hotels, fire stations, power



plants, dams and other critical facilities can also be created through the use of the REDAS software. During the training, the participants were taught how to build their own risk database using maps and GPS. The conduct of the said training was pursuant to the Memorandum of Agreement signed between the Provincial Government of Cavite represented by Governor Juanito Victor C. Remulla, Jr. and the PHILVOCS-DOST represented by Director Renato U. Solidum, Jr. on September 04, 2013.

Director Solidum, Director Vicente Tomazar of the Regional DRRM Council IVA OCD IVA and Ms. Claudette Trixia Flores, Public Relations Officer of PG-COPS, gave the welcome and special messages during the opening ceremony, and Dr. Bartolome Bautista, the developer of REDAS software, and PG-COPS Head and Provincial DRRM Officer Ms. Cecil Miranda gave the closing remarks.

### Implementation of Plastic Ordinance No. 007-2012

The Provincial Government-Environment and Natural Resources Office (PG-ENRO) had been part of the formulation and implementation of Provincial Ordinance No. 007-2012 entitled “An Ordinance Prohibiting, Regulating and Prescribing Certain Uses of Plastics for Goods and Commodities that End Up as Residual Wastes and Promoting the Use of Eco-bags and Other Environment Friendly Practices as an Alternative, and Providing Penalties Thereof”. Massive distributions of Information Education Campaign materials and consultation activities to various organizations such as business, NGOs, and communities were implemented in the entire Province to which one hundred twenty (120) tarpaulins were posted on the strategic locations from 2012-2013. There were five (5) monitoring activities conducted in partnerships with C/MENRO and PG-COPS.



Some LGUs initiated the release of citation tickets intended for the violators indicating the number of offenses and penalties. It was noticeable that the volume of wastes being dumped was reduced into certain percent.



### Cavite Monthly Arbor Day

As mandated in Presidential Executive Order No. 26 dated February 24, 2011, ordering the implementation of National Greening Program or NGP, a government priority project for the environment plant 1.45 billion trees for a period of six (6) years from 2011 to 2016.

The Provincial Government of Cavite through Sanguniang Panlalawigan Resolution No. 237-s-2011 requesting all Cities and Municipalities within the territorial jurisdiction of the province to adopt and implement E.O. 26.

The office of Environment and Natural Resources or PG-ENRO, as one of the lead agencies in implementing this order and ordinance conducted a monthly ARBOR DAY since June 2011 with



the cooperation of different municipalities and/or barangays.

Monthly Arbor Day is conducted from June to December in the chosen or volunteered municipality/ barangay. From January to June is the propagation period. There is a nursery wherein the propagation is being prepared. In this period, the seedlings were prepared from seed collection to sowing of the seeds. These seedlings are then used during the tree planting in different places come June to December. Because of the high need for seedlings, the PG-ENRO sometimes outsources seedlings in order to meet the demand.

The Municipality of General Trias, Cavite piloted the Arbor Day wherein 1,500 different seedlings were planted and recorded an 80% survival rate to date.

In 2013, PGENRO was able to conduct Cavite Monthly Arbor Day in the following areas: Imus on June 28, 2013; Naic on July 26, 2013; Tagaytay City on August 30, 2013; Alfonso on September 25, 2013; Magallanes on October 25, 2013; and Mendez on November 29, 2013. Also, PG-ENRO Nursery was able to propagate a total of 10,157 seedlings and was able to disperse 8,343 seedlings.



Before the year ended last year, this office through its Land Management Division, the division-in-charge of implementing National Greening Program or NGP, validated the Arbor Day activity for the past two years thru replanting in places where there are recorded low survival rates.

## Provincial State of Coast Report for the West Philippine Seascape

The West Philippine Seascape is one of the large, multiple-use marine areas that provide habitat for a rich abundance and diversity of marine life, and they provide homes, food sources and income for millions of people. It is an approach in which government authorities, private organizations and other stakeholders cooperate in

order to conserve the diversity and abundance of marine life, with the ultimate goal of promoting human well-being.

The Coral Triangle Support Partnership (CTSP) is a project that supports the establishment of the West Philippine Seascape as the new seascape for protection and conservation stipulated in the Philippines National Plan of Action. Through this project, the First West Philippine Seascape Conference in January 2012 was held. This was actively participated by representatives from provinces who were also able to present their respective State of the Integrated Coastal Management and the Provincial State of the Coasts, both are being finalized for publication.

The Cavite State of the Coast Report under the West Philippine Seascape, tackled the main issues and threats in the coastal waters of the province, focused mainly on the impacts of human activities to the coastal and marine habitats. It also discussed the Governance situation of the province which includes the five major management interventions undertaken by PG-ENRO which was based on the Sustainable Development Aspects of PEMSEA namely (a) Natural and Man-made Hazard Prevention and Management, (b) Habitat Protection, Restoration and Management, (c) Water Use and Supply Management, (d) Food Security and Livelihood Management, and (e) Pollution Reduction and Waste Management.