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# CCO FUEL DAMOA INJECTOR

- Permanent use with stainless tank application.

- Convenient movement, hose reel application, easy hose connection, arrangement, and lock installation.

- It is convenitent to measure the amount of injection

and check the oil tank level by installation a digital meter.









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#### LEEHWA RICE MILL

LEEHWA LH5001 GOLD RICE MILLS WERE DELIVERED ON MARCH 3, 2023. LEEHWA 5-IN-1 RICE MILLING AND POLISHING MACHINE IS THE THE PIONEER OF IMPELLER TYPE RICE MILL IN THE PHILIPPINES.

LEEHWA 5-IN-1 RICE MILLING AND POLISHING MACHINE IS CAPABLE OF MILLING 250-300KG OF RICE PER HOUR! LH-5001M GOLD IS THE PIONEER OF IMPELLER TYPE RICE MILLING MACHINE, AND IT HAS A LOW ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION OF JUST 3.7KW/HR MAKING IT AFFORDABLE WHEN OPERATING.

WHY 5-IN-1?

THIS PORTABLE RICE MILL HAS MANY
FUNCTIONS BUT 5 MAJOR FUNCTIONS
CANNOT BE FOUND IN SIMILAR RICE MILLS:

- 1. IMPURITY SORTER. IT SEPARATES PALAY IMPURITIES SUCH AS RICE STRAWS, LEAVES, BIGGER STONES, ETC.
- 2. SEPARATE RICE HUSK THE HUSK IS A SEPARATE OUTLET WITH RICE BRAN.
- 3. RICE BRAN SEPARATOR- THE HUSK AND THE BRAN HAVE THEIR SEPARATE OUTLET SO YOU CAN GET FINE BRAN WHICH YOU CAN FEED TO YOUR PIGS, CHICKEN, DUCKS, ETC. 4. ADJUSTABLE POLISHER NOT JUST YOUR TYPICAL POLISHER. THE POLISHER CAN BE ADJUSTED DEPENDING ON THE GRADE YOU WANT SO YOU CAN PRODUCE SEMI-MILLED
- 5. STONER/STONE SEPARATOR IT SEPARATES STONES FROM OUR RICE.

OR WELL-MILLED RICE.

#### **MACHINE TURNOVER**



## "THE PIONEER OF IMPELLER TYPE RICE MILL IN THE PHILIPPINES"



#### **ASIA CULTIVATOR**

NEWLY DELIVERED ASIA CULTIVATORS
WERE CLAIMED BY FIT COREA.
IT HAS A 291CC ENGINE
DISPLACEMENT AND UNLIKE
COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS,
THE MULTI-SPEED GEARBOX
WITH 4-FORWARD ROTATIONS
AND 2-REVERSE ROTATIONS
GUARANTEES A VARIETY OF
OPERATIONS WITHOUT HAVING
TO MANUALLY ROTATE THE CHAIN
CASE.

ASIA CULTIVATOR IS ONE OF THE MOST VERSATILE MACHINES BECAUSE OF ITS MORE THAN 20 DIFFERENT IMPLEMENTS.

#### SOME OF ITS IMPLEMENTS ARE:

- \* ROTARY
- \* FORMER
- \* PLOW
- \* TOPDRESSER
- \* MOWER
- \* ARBOR MACHINE
- \* TILLAGE ROTARY
- \* VIBRATION CLAY MACHINE
- \* CLAY MACHINE
- \* DEEP PATH ROTARY AND MANY MORE!











#### **WECAN PLOW & ROTAVATOR**

Last March 29, 2023, FIT Corea team claimed the delivery of WECAN Rotating Disc Plow & Rotavator

The WECAN PTO-Driven Rotating Disc Plow is designed for both manual and hydraulicready tractors for easier operation. It ensures that the tractor will have no overload during the operation. This versatile machine can be used both in wet and dry fields to

break the hard soil that has lots of weeds and bushes or rice straws in the rice field. The PTO-driven rotating disc plow is a well-equipped plow with a full-body casting gearbox and a powerful side gear system, hydraulic cylinders with automatic valves, and center and side-driven gearboxes.

Lastly, the Wecan Rotavator is used to pulverize the soil after breaking it. It is suitable for areas with rough or wet soil; it works faster and has no soil or straw locking. Structurally designed depending on field conditions. The blade is made of spring steel, which is flexible and will slowly return to its original form when bent during operation. Doomtype body designed for vibration-free operation to help reduce gears and PTO damage during operation.

#### **MACHINE DEMO**



Last March 28, 2023, FIT COREA's Mechanics; Mr. Archie & Mr. Christian along with Manager Marilou went to Aliaga, Nueva Ecija to test the WECAN WR1750 LSGW. The rotavator is connected to the TYM 5825R, which has a Turbocharged engine with Tier III Emission.

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The team decided to use the PTO DrivenRotating Disc Plow first to break the hard soil that has lots of weeds followed by rotavator to pulverize the soil.

#### **AFTER SALES SERVICE**

FIT COREA's mechanics, Mr. Archie & Mr. Christian went to Canlubang, Laguna for the after sales service of ASIA's Handy Cultivator.

ASIA CULTIVATOR is a gasoline-powered cultivator that has a large 7.5L fuel tank capacity and a maximum output of 5.3kW making

it efficient in land preparation. A powerful high-strength hexagonal axle that ensures that there is no wear or slip which improves work performance. It has a 291cc engine displacement and unlike commercial products, the multispeed gearbox with 4-forward rotations

and 2-reverse rotations guarantees a variety of operations without having to manually rotate the chain case. Because of its high displacement engine, it can fit up to 30 different implements such as Rotary, Former, and Plow.



#### **OFFICE MEET**



### LEADSTECH CORPORATION

Another productive meeting was held at Quezon City Circle between Leadstech Corporation and FIT Corea in regards to their company's intention to be a dealer of Korea agricultural machinery in some regions of North and South Luzon.

Leadstech Corp. COO Mr. Jojo and his team presented their company to and FIT Corea President Mr. Philip Kim.

LEADSTECH CORPORATION IS A FILIPINO COMPANY THAT STARTED WAY BACK IN 1997 WITH LESS THAN TWENTY STAFF AND FIELD EMPLOYEES HAD TO FACE FINANCIAL LIMITATIONS AND MARKET CONCERNS WHERE THEY HAD TO PRIORITIZE FUNDING ONLY IN SELECTED AREAS. BY THEIR 20TH YEAR, THEY DECIDED TO SERVE DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE FARMER'S VALUE CHAIN, AND THEY STARTED IN AGRI-MACHINERY.

THEIR OTHER GROUP ALSO PRODUCES QUALITY SEEDS

AND ADDRESSES RICE-CONSUMER DEMAND.

This is why reaching 25 years is not due to a stroke of luck. The founders focused on supporting the Filipino farmer as they set up their entrepreneurial goals for a sustainable livelihood.

From a small company initially overlooked by the industry that barely hit its growth targets, they now have more than 300 employees serving over a thousand agricultural dealers and distributors, which equip millions of Filipino farmers with the right tools and technology nationwide.

#### **ING & VISITS**



# BRIXTON CONSTRUCTION & INDUSTIRAL SUPPLY CORP.

Mr. Eli Libunao, the president of Brixton Construction & Industrial Supply Corp., and Mr. Brian Libunao, the president of Farmer's Choice Agri Machinery Corporation, together with Mr. Philip Kim, the president of FIT Corea, during their meeting at Anonas, Quezon City.

This two are sister companies and are a good partners of FIT Corea Trading Phils., Inc. Currently, they cater to four regions (4-A, 4-B, 5 and 11) and have an application for region 8 to be open this year.

Brixton has been our dealer since 2019, followed by Farmer's Choice in 2020.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR MORE COLLABORATION, ESPECIALLY ON THE LOCAL ASSEMBLY OF AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.



#### ADA MANUFACTURING CORPORATION

MEETING WITH ADA
MANUFACTURING CORPORATION
(ADAMCO) ONE OF OUR DEALERS,
ON THE UPDATE OF THE
MACHINERY DISPLAY AND A
POSSIBLE ROAD SHOW IN ONE
OF THEIR DEALERSHIP REGIONS.
ADAMCO HAS A TOTAL OF 30
BRANCHES NATIONWIDE. IT CAN
BE FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING
PLACES: LOCOS SUR, URDANETA,
NAGUILLAN, ABULUG,
TUGUEGARAO, SANTIAGO,
SOLANO, PRENZA, PULILAN
BULACAN, MUNOZ, CABANATUAN,

SAN LEONARDO, TARLAC, QUEZON PROVINCE, ORIENTAL MINDORO, OCCIDENTAL MINDORO, PALAWAN, NAGA, BACOLOD, JARO ILOILO, SARA ILOILO, PALO LEYTE, ORMOC LEYTE, DAVAO, KORONADAL, BUKIDNON, ZAMBOANGA, BAYUGAN, ABRA, ILOCOS NORTE, BOHOL, ANTIQUE, TAGUM AND COTABATO. ADAMCO THINKS THAT GIVING FARMERS ACCESS TO CUTTING-EDGE EQUIPMENT WILL MAKE FARMING SIMPLER AND MORE LUCRATIVE FOR THEM.



#### **LEEHWA & PHILMECH MEETING**

LAST MARCH 29 LEEHWA,
PHILMECH, AND FIT COREA
CONDUCTED A MEETING ABOUT
THE LEEHWA CORN MILL. THE CORN
MILL UNDERWENT AMTEC TESTING
AT KANLAON,
NEGROS OCCIDENTAL. THE LEEHWA
CORN MILL IS A PHILMECH,
LEEHWA, & KAMICO
COLLABORATIVE MACHINE.

CORN IS ONE OF THE FOOD
STAPLES OF FILIPINOS. CORNEATING COMMUNITIES RELY ON
MILLED CORN FOR THEIR FOOD
NEEDS. DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, ONE OF THE FOOD

CONCERNS OF THE POPULACE IS THE ACCESSIBILITY OF FOOD. BECAUSE OF TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND STRICT HEALTH PROTOCOLS. ACCESS TO FOOD IS LIMITED. TO ADDRESS THIS SITUATION, THE PHILIPPINE CENTER FOR POSTHARVEST DEVELOPMENT AND MECHANIZATION (PHILMECH) IS **IMPLEMENTING THE COVID-19** RESPONSE PROJECT, "PILOT ADAPTATION OF THE PHILMECH-KAMICO DESIGNED CORN MILL FOR VILLAGE LEVEL AP-PLICATIONS", LED BY ENGR. DONALD MATEO OF THE AGRICULTURAL MECHANIZATION DIVISION.



## TECHNOLOGY ADVICE AN



A 3 YEAR PROGRAM OF TECH-NOLOGY ADVICE & SOLUTION FROM KOREA EXPERTS TO THE 10 SELECTED LOCAL MANUFACTUR-ERS AND FABRICATORS. THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS PROJECT:

ASSIST FILIPINO COMPANIES
BASED IN THE PHILIPPINES WITH
RESOLVING ONSITE TECHNICAL
DIFFICULTIES AND ISSUES WITH
TECHNICAL KNOWHOW AND EXPERIENCES.

ESTABLISH A NETWORK BETWEEN KOREAN AND FILIPINO
COMPANIES TO FOSTER AND
ENHANCE CONTINUOUS COOPERATION AND COLLABORATION





#### D SOLUTIONS FROM KOREA

AFTER THE "KOR-PHIL TASK" IS COMPLETED.

THE TEAM WENT DIRECTLY TO PHILMECH TO HAVE A FACE TO FACE MEETING AND UPDATES OF THE PROGRAM. THOSE WHO COULDN'T JOIN A FACE-TO-FACE MEETING HAVE ATTENDED VIA ZOOM JUST LIKE NOLY S. HONTARCIEGO METALCRAFT OF ILOILO CITY AND MACHINESYSTEMS CORPORATION OF CEBU CITY.

PHILMECH DIRECTOR IV, DR.
DIONISIO ALVINDIA, WAS ALSO
PRESENT DURING THE MEETING.
HE WELCOMES AND THANKS

THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY, WHICH IS ALSO IN LINE WITH THEIR MANDATE IN PHILMECH. SINCE 2016, KAMICO AND PHILMECH HAVE ALREADY HAD MANY COLLABORATIONS ON THE TECHNOLOGY DEVELOP-MENT OF MACHINERY THAT CAN BE SUITABLE FOR PHILIPPINES CONDITIONS. THESE ARE THE CORN MILL WITH LEEHWA, THE ONION MECHANIZATION SYSTEM WITH BULLS, LIFTING MACHINE WITH SUNGBOO, AND THIS YEAR'S SUGAR CANE HARVESTER AND DETRASHER WITH SAMBU COMPANY.

#### **FACTOR**



JHT MICRO ENTERPRISES - AGRICULTURAL-INDUSTRIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MACHINERY



IMPROVEMENT OF RIGE MILL SEPARATOR HULLING EFFECIENCY AND OUTPUT

**OBSERVATIONS:** 

NO DRAWING AND NO BALANCER FOR THE SEPARATOR

ONLY 2 OUTLETS IN THE OUTPUT

**TASK RECOMMENDATIONS:** 

MR. LEE FROM LEEHWA COMPANY WILL PROVIDE A DRAWING OF THE SEPARATOR AND PROVIDE BALANCER FROM KOREA.

THEY RECOMMENDED TO HAVE A 3-WAY OUTLET FOR RICE, PADDIES MIXED WITH RICE, AND UNHULLED RICE TO HAVE BETTER SEPARATION.

#### Y VISITS



VAL AGRI MACHINERIES AND MACHINE SHOP

IMPROVEMENT OF PRODUCTION LINE OF THE WHOLE SYSTEM & LEARNING NEW TECHNIQUES IN MANUFACTURING

#### TASK RECOMMENDATIONS:

MR. KIM FROM SAMBU COMPANY IMMEDIATELY DRAWS A GEARBOX USING THE AUTOCAD PROGRAM. HE WILL ALSO PREPARE A LASER-CUT GEARBOX IN KOREA TO BE SENT TO VAL FOR FITTING TO THEIR MACHINE.

**ADVISED TO USE CO2 WELDING** 

MAKE WORKING TABLES FOR WORKING CONFORTABILITY & EFFECIENCY.

**OBSERVATIONS:** 

**CUT AND WELD SYSTEM** 

NO DRAWINGS ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE MA-CHINE ESPECIALLY THE PARTS(GEAR BOX)

MANPOWER WORK STYLE WHICH IS SITTING DOWN

#### **FACTOR**



JNJ HAND TRACTOR

IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF THE PRODUCT AND PRODUCTION CAPACITY

**OBSERVATIONS:** 

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#### Y VISITS



**BRIXTON METAL WORKS** 

IMPROVEMENT OF THE PRODUCT QUALITY CONTROL AND TO VENTURE ON DEVELOPING NEW TECHNOLOGIES

**TASK RECOMMENDATIONS:** 

KOREA EXPERTS WILL BE SENDING A
DRAWING OF ZIG OF THE YORK FOR
BETTER CONSISTENCY

THREE(3) KINDS OF DRAWING WILL BE SENT TO BRIXTON FOR TESTING

**OBSERVATIONS:** 

CONSISTENCY OF THE MIXER YORK WHEN WORKING THAT SOMETIMES IT IS HITTING OTHER METAL PARTS

## Courtesy Meeting Asec. Arnel de Mesa

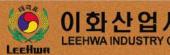
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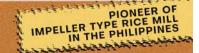


THE TASK TEAM VISITED THE OFFICE OF ASEC ARNEL DE MESA TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE TWO-DAY EVENT AND THE ACTIVITIES OF TASK. MR. ERIC SONG, THE OVERSEAS DEPUTY MANAGER OF KAMICO (KOREA AGRICUL-TURAL MACHINERY INDUSTRY COOPERATIVE) AND THE ONE OVERSEEING THE TASK PROGRAM FROM KAMICO, THANKS ASEC. ARNEL AND THE DE-PARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN THIS ODA PROGRAM. ON THE OTHER HAND, ASEC. ARNEL DE MESA ALSO THANKS THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT FOR THIS PROGRAM, WHICH WILL BENEFIT THE LOCAL AG-RICULTURAL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES AND EVEN-TUALLY INCREASE THE QUALITY OF THE MACHINERY FOR EXPORTATION.











**OUTPUT CAPACITY 250-300 KG/H** HULLING EFFECIENCY 70.295% MILLING RECOVERY INDEX 98.5% PERCENT HEAD RICE INDEX 91% RATED OUTPUT POWER 3.73KW PHASE SINGLE **VOLTAGE** 220V

RATED SPEED

WEIGHT

MILLING CAPACITY 800 KG/H POWER REQUIRED 187W **640MM** WIDTH **410MM** HEIGHT 505MM WEIGHT 108KG

LH-800VS



A.M.T.E.C. **TESTED** 

#### AVAILABE NOW!

1760RPM

208KG

#### CROP ESTABLISHMENT MACHINES



91.5% POWER (2 MOTORS) MINIMUM FIELD EFFICIENCY

REDUCES UP TO 34.6 %

MANUAL LABOR COMPARED

TO MIDDLE AGED PLANTING

SEED HOPPER CAPACITY

MINIMUM SEEDING RATE 20.7 KG/HA RICE CAPACITY

MINIMUM SEEDING EFFICIENCY 85% COATING LIQUID

4.70KG MACHINE WEIGHT APPLICABLE FOR SEEDS: RICE, BEAN, BARLEY, WHEAT CORN, ETC

SEED COATING **BG-1500H** 

120W

**20KG** 

IRON

310KG

SPRAY WIDTH

LIQUID CAPACITY

WATER PUMP FORM

16M

NONDIGITAL

JET PUMP

600L

SPRAYER ABSORPTION

BOOM SPRAYER

**WORKING EFFECIENCY 5-10 HA/DAY** 

WORKING PRESSURE 10-20 KG/CM<sup>2</sup>



**MAXIMUM PAYLOAD** 72L/MIN **FLIGHT TIME 8 MINUTES SPRAY AREA 1.3 HECTARES** LIQUID TANK VOLUME **10KG** SPREAD WIDTH 5 METERS MAX TAKE-OFF WEIGHT 24.5KG



MAXIMUM PAYLOAD FLIGHT TIME 25 MINUTES FLIGHT TIME SPRAY AREA

TANK VOLUME

5 METERS SPREAD WIDTH

25KG MAXIMUM PAYLOAD

**8 MINUTES** 

72L/MIN

**2 HECTARES SPRAY AREA** 1.3 HECTARES

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**20KG LIQUID TANK VOLUME** 

**5 METERS** 

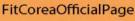
**10KG** 

MAX TAKE-OFF WEIGHT 45.2 KG MAX TAKE-OFF WEIGHT 24.5 KG

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SPREAD WIDTH





## PBBM-LED KADIWA OPENS IN MORE AREAS OUTSIDE THE METRO

IN LINE WITH THE VISION OF OF PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR. TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE FOOD TO EVERY FILIPINO, THE KADIWA NG PANGULO WAS LAUNCHED IN STO. TOMAS, BATANGAS, TODAY, MARCH 1, 2023.

KADIWA NG PANGULO, WHICH FORMS PART OF THE STRATEGIES OF THE MARCOS ADMINISTRATION TO COMBAT THE EFFECTS OF THE HIGH LEVEL OF FOOD INFLATION, WAS LAUNCHED DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON LAST YEAR TO PROVIDE FARMERS AND FISHERS, AS WELL AS MICRO, SMALL, AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SMES), A DIRECT AND STABLE MARKET, AND CONSUMERS AFFORDABLE FOOD ITEMS.

HOWEVER, THE PRESIDENT DECIDED TO
SUSTAIN ITS IMPLEMENTATION NATIONWIDE FOR
THE BENEFIT OF THE FOOD PRODUCERS AND
CONSUMERS ALIKE, AS FARMERS'
COOPERATIVES AND ASSOCIATIONS (FCAS)
DIRECTLY SELL FRESH FARM PRODUCE AT LOW
PRICE.

"BINIBIGYAN NATIN NG PAGKAKATAON ANG MGA LOKAL NA MSMES NA TALAGANG NAHIRAPAN NOONG LOCKDOWN AT KALAKASAN NG PANDEMYA. ITO AY



PAGKAKATAON PARA IYONG MGA PRODUKTO NAMAN NA GINAGAWA NG MGA LOKAL AY MABIGYAN NG MERKADO PARA MAYROON SILANG MAPUNTAHAN AT MAPAGBILI ANG KANILANG MGA MAGAGANDANG PRODUKTO," PRES. MARCOS SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE PRESIDENT, THERE ARE CURRENTLY MORE THAN 500 KADIWA OPERATING ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY. ASIDE FROM BATAN- https://www.da.gov.ph/pbbm-led-kadiwaopens-in-more-areas-outside-the-metro/ Published March 2, 2023



GAS, PRES. MARCOS LAUNCHED THE CEBU KADIWA NG PANGULO LAST FEBRUARY 28.

"PARARAMIHIN PA NATIN ANG
KADIWA BASTAT NAGKAKAISA AT
NAGSASAMA LAHAT NG
AHENSYA NG PAMAHALAAN,
LAHAT NG LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AT
LAHAT NG ATING MGA
PRODUCERS AT KASAMA ANG ATING
MGA MAGSASAKA. MAKIKITA NATIN
NA

MAGIGING MATAGUMPAY ANG PROGRAMANG ITO," HE SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT'S EXTENDED KADIWA
PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY AND THE
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

IN BATANGAS, 12 FARMERS' ORGANIZATIONS AND COOPERATIVES PARTICIPATED,
GENERATING A SUBSTANTIAL SALES OF P243,
475.75, ACCORDING TO THE
DA-AGRIBUSINESS AND MARKETING
ASSISTANCE SERVICE (DA-AMAS).

AMONG THE FCA THAT JOINED

WERE: SAMAHANG MAGGATAS NG

BATANGAS, ROSARIO LIVESTOCK AND

AGRICULTURE FARMING COOPERATIVE, PACHEO

AGRARIAN REFORM

COOPERATIVES, SAN PEDRO MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE, CAFÉ AMADEO

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE, SOROSORO

IBABA DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE,
SIYUDAD AGRIKULTURA, SIMULA HARVEST, BEN

AND LYN CHOCOLATES INC., EDNA AND REBECCA

BANANA CHIPS AND

COATED PEANUTS, NATIONAL FOOD

AUTHORITY – BATANGAS BRANCH, AND

SUGAR REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION.



## DA ROLLS OUT SPECIAL LOAN PROGRAM FOR ONION FARMERS

IN LINE WITH PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.'S COMMITMENT TO ATTAIN FOOD SECURITY FOR THE COUNTRY, THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S AGRICULTURAL CREDIT POLICY COUNCIL (DA-ACPC) HAS LAUNCHED THE AGRI-NEGOSYO (ANYO) LOAN PROGRAM FOR ONION FARMERS TO PROVIDE LOCAL PRODUCERS EASY ACCESS TO CREDIT LOANS FOR FACILITIES, MACHINERIES, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT.

THE DA-ACPC'S LOAN PROGRAM WILL PAVE THE WAY FOR

AFFORDABLE YET HIGH-QUALITY LOCALLY-PRODUCED ONIONS.

THE LOAN PROGRAM IS ALSO
ALIGNED WITH THE DA'S
OPTIMIZATION AND RESILIENCY IN
THE OPTIMIZATION AND
RESILIENCY IN THE ONION
INDUSTRY NETWORK (ORION)
PROGRAM, WHICH IS GEARED
TOWARDS A SELF-SUFFICIENT,
PROFITABLE, AND PROGRESSIVE
ONION INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTRY.
LAUNCHED LAST MARCH 1, THE
ANYOLOAN PROGRAM FOR ONION
FARMERS IS PART OF THE OFFICIAL

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https://www.da.gov.ph/da-rolls-out-special-loan-program-for-onion-farmers/

KICK-OFF FOR THE
HALINA'T MAGTANIM NG
PRUTAS AT GULAY SA
BARANGAY PROJECT.
KADIWA AY YAMAN,
PLANTS FOR BOUNTIFUL
BARANGAYS MOVEMENT
(HAPAG KAY PBBM)
PROGRAM.

ONE OF THE ACPC'S
BENEFICIARIES IS THE
RUEDA ONION GROWERS
ASSOCIATION, WHICH
WAS AWARDED P3
MILLION WORTH OF
LOANS THROUGH THE
NEW RURAL BANK OF SAN
LEONARDO.

THE GENARO AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE ALSO RECEIVED A P10 M LOAN FROM THE DA-ACPC THROUGH THE OCCIDENTAL MINDORO COOPERATIVE BANK.

THE SPECIAL ANYO LOAN PROGRAM, WHICH SEEKS TO BOOST ONION PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY, BENEFITS INDIVIDUAL ONION FARMERS TILLING AT MOST 2 HECTARES OF

LAND AND REGISTERED FARMERS' COOPERATIVES ASSOCIATIONS AS THEY CAN AVAIL OF ZERO-INTEREST LOANS PAYABLE UP TO FIVE YEARS WITH A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF P300,000 AND P15 MILLION, RESPECTIVELY.

FROM A TOTAL
PRODUCTION AREA OF
29,728 HECTARES ALL
OVER THE COUNTRY,
LOCAL FARMERS
HARVESTED 283,172
METRIC TONS (MT) OF RED
AND YELLOW ONIONS
AS WELL AS SHALLOTS IN
2022.

ALTHOUGH HIGHER
THAN THE 2021
PRODUCTION VOLUME
OF 218,050 MT AS
REPORTED BY THE
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS
AUTHORITY, THE 2022
HARVESTS STILL FELL
SHORT OF THE 260,000MT
ANNUAL DEMAND FOR
PHILIPPINE ONIONS.

AROUND 100,000 MT OF PRODUCTION LOSSES WERE ALSO RECORDED IN 2022 DUE TO LACK OF POST-HARVEST FACILITIES AND IMPROPER HANDLING.

THE SUPPLY GAP,
FURTHER AMPLIFIED BY
AGRICULTURAL
SMUGGLING AND
DAMAGES DUE TO
CALAMITIES, RESULTED IN
THE OVERPRICING OF
ONIONS IN LOCAL MARKETS.

THE DA WAS PROMPTED
TO RELEASE
ADMINISTRATIVE
CIRCULAR NO. 5 ON
FEBRUARY 6, EFFECTIVELY
SETTING THE
SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE
(SRP) OF P125 PER
KILOGRAM OF
MEDIUM- AND BIG-SIZED
IMPORTED RED ONIONS.

ON MARCH 1, RED ONION PRICES WERE SOLD FROM P120 TO P180 PER KILO IN METRO MANILA MARKETS AS REPORTED BY THE DA – SURVEILLANCE, MONITORING, AND ENFORCEMENT GROUP (DA-SMEG).

The Department of Agriculture (DA) welcomed the Republic of Korea – Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs ( ROK-MAFRA)'s donation of 400 metric tons of milled rice, which will be distributed to 10,000 families affected by flooding and landslides in Oriental Mindoro through the DA – National Food Authority (NFA) and the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), March 21.

DA Senior Undersecretary Domingo F. Panganiban expressed gratitude to the South Korean government for its prompt assistance most especially to the affected public in Misamis Oriental.

"The immediate provision of emergency food aid is critical at all stages of disaster response. This provision ensures food security the earliest time possible. We are not only accepting the goodwill of tested ally but also recommitting ourselves to our common objective for food security and the future," the DA official said.

South Korea is the Philippines'



#### DA RECEIVES RICE DONATION F STRICKEN MISA

Author: (Gumamela Bejarin, 1

sixth largest source of Official Development Assistance (ODA), with commitments through its Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF) and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). In a 2021 report, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) reported more than USD 925 M worth of ODA grant projects and loan programs from South Korea.



## ROM S. KOREA FOR CALAMITY-AMIS ORIENTAL

DA-AFID) | 1 March 2023

sixth largest source of Official Development Assistance (ODA), with commitments through its Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF) and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). In a 2021 report, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) reported more than USD 925 M worth of ODA grant projects and loan programs from South Korea.

The ROK has also been donating rice to the Philippines as assistance in times of calamities, with its rice distribution in Misamis Oriental being its third time. The rice donations were made possible under the third tier of the ASE-AN Plus Three Emergency Rice Reserve (APTERR) Program—a regional cooperation among ASEAN countries with the aim of strengthening food security, alleviating poverty, and eradicating malnourishment without distorting normal trade in the ASE-AN+3 region.

The Philippines joined the AP-TERR in 2012 and has since then been a recipient of rice donations from fellow member-countries Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, China, Japan, and South Korea.

Acknowledging the parallels in goals between the Philippine government and the APTERR, Senior Undersecretary Panganiban conveyed his enthusiasm for the latter's future plans and actions towards the attainment of a food-secure ASE-AN+3 region.

The administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. has delivered on its commitment to bring agricultural products straight from the farmers to the consumers through a partnership between the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the Department of National Defense (DND), which has mobilized the Philippine Army (PA) for this initiative. With the assistance from the PA's 7th Infantry Division, the DA transported on Tuesday (March 28) a total of 590 sacks of rice (packed into 25kilos per sack), 800 kilos of tomatoes, 50 kilos of red onions and 25 kilos of white onions to the Jesus Lord of Divine Mercy Parish in Novaliches, Quezon City.

Five Army trucks and one DA-Kadiwa truck delivered the fresh produce to Novaliches all the way from Nueva Ecija, a province known for agricultural crops such as rice, onion, garlic and tomatoes. According to DA Assistant Secretary James Layug, the initiative forms part of the effort of the government to assist and provide logistics to farmers and other food producers. "Ito ay by-product ng effort natin ng market linkage, iyong pagtulong natin sa magsasaka mula sa doon sa farm ng kanilang mga produkto diretso sa mga retailers or consumers," Layug said. The initiative, Layug said, was made possible through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in December between the Diocese of Novaliches and the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) – Caritas



Philippines Foundation, Inc. The agreement states that the Caritas and its communities will benefit from DA's programs, projects and grants, and will receive support such as logistics, financing, capacity-building and manpower, among other forms of assistance.

"Ito ay bunga ng ating Memorandum of Understanding with the Diocese of Novaliches at Caritas, kay Fr. Tony Labiao Jr., na iyong parokya willing na silang diretsong bilhin iyong mga produkto ng magsasaka galing sa Nueva Ecija diretso na sa mga parokya nila. I-disdtribute sa kanilang mga parishioners," Layug pointed out. In addition to the Nueva Ecija farmers, Layug said the DA will also provide logistical assistance to onion farmers of the two provinces of Mindoro island. "Naka-programa na rin tayo sa Mindoro kasi mag-start na ang harvest at peak season. Isa ding problema doon ay iyong pagtransport muli," the DA official said. Layug noted that the DA is also planning for the transport of garlic from the island province of Batanes. "Yung bawang sa Batanes, magstart na din ang volume ng harvest kaya tutulungan din natin sila sa transport. Nakipagugnayan na tayo sa Philippine Navy at Coast Guard," Layug said. Aside from logistics, Layug stressed that that DA will also assist farmers in accessing cold storage facilities such as the Food Terminal Inc. (FTI), where they can temporarily store their produce.



CULMINATING THIS YEAR'S NATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION
(NWMC) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA), WOMEN AND OFFICIALS IN THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR
CONVENED DURING THE TOWN HALL
CONSULTATION ON WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE BREAKING BARRIERS: WOMEN
AND EVERYONE FOR GENDER EQUALITY
QUEZON CITY LAST MARCH 27, 2023 TO
DISCUSS THE STATUS OF RURAL WOMEN
IN AGRICULTURE AND THE AGENCY'S
EFFORTS TOWARDS GENDER EQUALITY
AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT.

THE NWMC CELEBRATIONS FROM 2023 TO 2028 FOCUS ON THE THEME, "WE FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETY," WITH WE STANDING FOR "WOMEN EMPOWERMENT" AND "WOMEN AND EVERYONE."

WINNERS OF THE 2022 DA SEARCH
FOR OUTSTANDING RURAL WOMEN—
NAMELY, NATIONAL WINNER DOLORES
R. CERALBO (REGION 6), FIRST RUNNER-UP LEIZEL E. GRAJO (REGION 5),
SECOND RUNNER-UP MA. RIO LUZ A.
MAJADAS (REGION 8), FOURTH RUNNER-UP JOLENDA F. LOMAS-E (CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION), AND
SPECIAL CITATION RECIPIENT VILMA
B. JOSON (REGION 3)—SHARED THEIR
PERSONAL STORIES OF STRUGGLES,
SACRIFICES, AND SUCCESS AS WOMEN
FARMER-LEADERS FROM RURAL AREAS
WITH HIGH POVERTY INCIDENCE.

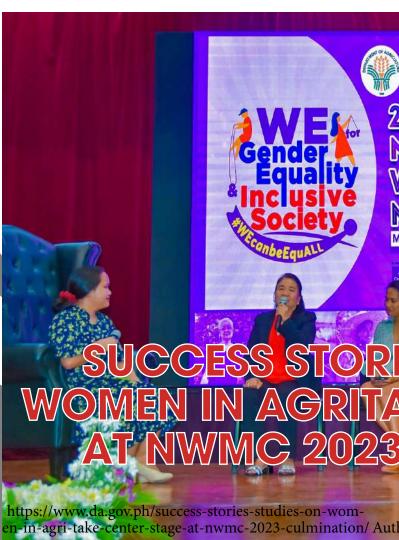
THE SORW 2022 WINNERS NARRATED HOW THEIR ADAPTABILITY, INGENUITY, AND TENACITY IN THE FACE OF POVERTY, ECONOMIC INFLATION, CLIMATE CHANGE, GENDER-BASED DISCRIMINATION, AND OTHER ISSUES—COMBINED WITH SUPPORT FROM THE DA—LED THEM TO BECOMING MAJOR DRIVERS OF AGRICULTURAL MODERNIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT, WOMEN EMPOWERMENT, AND FOOD SECURITY NOT ONLY IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES BUT ALSO THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

"SA MGA KABABAIHAN, 'WAG TUMIGIL SA PANGARAP DAHIL HINDI HADLANG ANG

KAHIRAPAN PARA MAABOT MO ANG TAGUMPAY," CERALBO EXPRESSED.

DISSERTATIONS ON WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE BY SELECT DA WOMEN-LEADERS WERE ALSO FEATURED AND DISCUSSED DURING THE TOWN HALL CONSULTATION.

DELVING INTO HER CASE STUDIES ON GENDER IMPACT ASSESSMENTS IN REMOTE AND URBAN MUNICIPALITIES IN LA UNION, DA REGIONAL FIELD OFFICE I CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER JACINTA MARISSA D. OLALAN REVEALED THE AGING WOMEN POPULATIONS IN AGRICULTURE DUE TO LACK OF OPPORTUNITIES AS WELL AS THE DA'S INTERVENTIONS BEING



MOSTLY MALE-ORIENTED IN NATURE.

ON THE OTHER HAND, DA - BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES STANDARDS (BAFS) DIRECTOR KAREN KRISTINE A. ROSCOM ANALYZED THE SUCCESS STORIES OF SELECT WOMEN FARMER-LEADERS IN CENTRAL LUZON AND CALABARZON REGIONS FOR HER DISSERTATION, NOTING THAT HAV-ING THE PROPER PLATFORMS IN THE FORM OF FARMERS' COOPERATIVES AND ASSOCIATIONS (FCAS) AND THE CONFIDENCE TO SPEAK IN PUBLIC ARE NWMC 2023 CULMINATING ACTIVITY IMPORTANT TO WOMEN IN AGRICUL-TURE.

FOR THEIR POLICY RECOMMENDA-TIONS, OLALAN AND ROSCOM RAISED THE NEED FOR THE DA TO ENCOUR-AGE THE CREATION OF AND PAR-TICIPATION IN WOMEN FCAS, INSTI-TUTIONALIZE WOMEN LEADERSHIP

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PROGRAMS AND RECOGNITION IN AG-RICULTURE, AND CONTINUE SHARING INSPIRATIONAL STORIES OF WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE.

SENATOR LOREN B. LEGARDA, SENA-TOR GRACE L. POE, AND PHILIPPINE COMMISSION ON WOMEN (PCW) EX-ECUTIVE DIRECTOR KRISTINE ROSA-RY E. YUZON-CHAVES THROUGH PCW SECTORAL COORDINATION DIVISION CHIEF MACARIO T. JUSAYAN EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT'S WHILE ALSO HIGHLIGHTING THE NEED FOR CONTINUING, INTENSIFIED, AND UNIFIED EFFORTS TOWARDS A GEN-DER-INCLUSIVE AND RESPONSIVE DA.

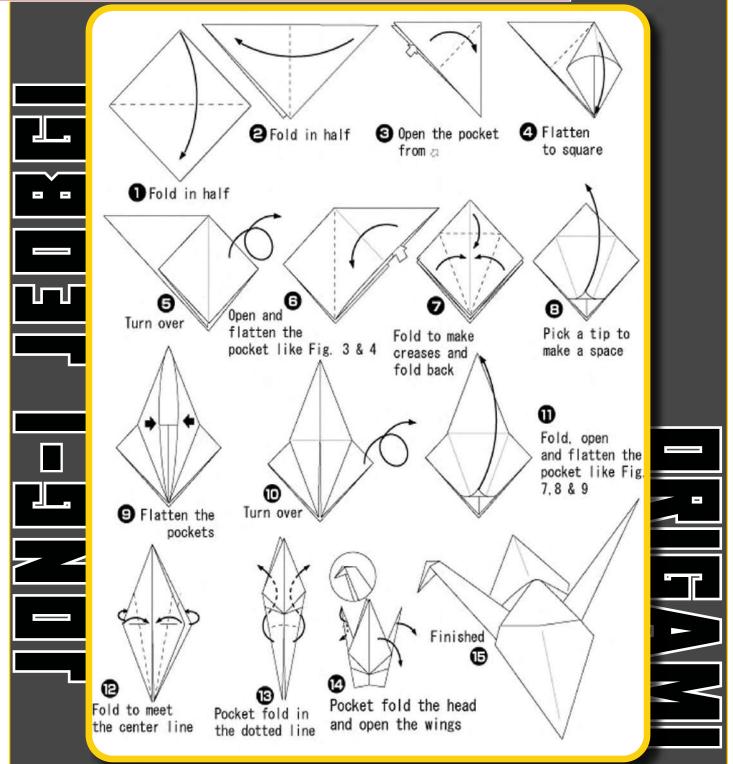
ASSURING THE DEPARTMENT'S COM-MITMENT, PHILIPPINE FIBER INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (PHILEIDA) OIC-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNRAY VILLOTA-RIVERA-WHO CONCURRENT-LY SERVES AS VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE DA - GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT FOCAL POINT SYSTEM (GFPS) AND PRO-GRAM DIRECTOR OF THE DA - GENDER EQUALITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION (GESI)—RELAYED GOOD NEWS THAT DELEGATES FROM DA WOWED WORLD LEADERS WITH ITS SERVICES AND INI-TIATIVES GEARED FOR RURAL WOM-EN DURING THE 67TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN HELD FROM MARCH 6 TO 17, 2023 IN NEW YORK.

SHE ADDED THAT THE PHILIPPINES IS ALSO SET TO HOST THE COMMISSION'S 68TH SESSION NEXT YEAR.

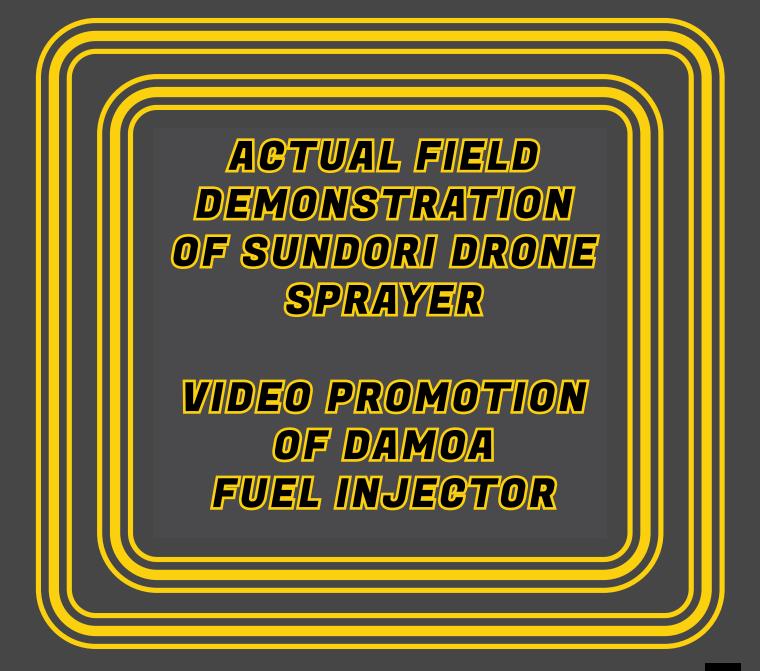
SENIOR UNDERSECRETARY DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN CONCLUDED, THROUGH ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OPERA-TIONS ARNEL V. DE MESA, "REST AS-SURED, AS WE BRING TO CLOSE THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH THIS YEAR, WE WILL REMAIN EVER MORE ALERT IN OUR PURSUIT OF EQUALITY AND OPPORTUNITY SO THAT ALL WOMEN MAY SET NEW TRAILS, PURSUE THEIR GOALS, AND REACH THEIR FULLEST POTENTIAL."

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