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### Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office

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April 17, 2023

#### **MEMORANDUM**

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The Regional Executive Director

MIMAROPA Region

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Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU

The OIC Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services

FROM

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT** 

**ACTIVITY** REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED COMMUNICATION, **EDUCATION** AND **PUBLIC** AWARENESS OF SNAKE ISLAND NATIONAL COASTAL AND MARINE CENTER FOR RESEARCH (SI-NCMCR) AT BARANGAY MANALO, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY ON

MARCH 31, 2023

Forwarded is the memorandum dated March 31, 2023 of SIMO/CDS Chief Rhodora B. Ubani along with the activity report of Research Assistant Christine Palanca Dagos on the above-mentioned subject.

Per report, forty-eight (48) men and thirty-two (32) women with a total of eighty (80) residents from Barangay Manalo participated the activity on March 31, 2023.

This document will serve as the Means of Verification (MOV) for Snake Island NCMCR CY 2023 under CEPA campaign. Attached herewith is the activity report with photo documentation.

For information and record.



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April 11, 2023

#### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

THRU

The OIC Chief, Technical Services Division

FROM

Rhodora B. Ubani

Chief, Conservation and Development Section

Snake Island Management Officer as concurrent capacity

SUBJECT

ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS OF SNAKE ISLAND NATIONAL COASTAL AND MARINE CENTER FOR RESEARCH (SI-NCMCR) AT BARANGAY MANALO, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY ON

MARCH 31, 2023

Respectfully forwarded is the activity report of the Ms. Christine P. Dagos, Research Assistant of SIMO re the above subject.

The Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) activity is one of the target activities of SI-NCMCR as reflected in the WFP 2023. This was being done specifically to coastal communities within or fronting the Honda Bay where Snake Island is located to raise awareness of coastal communities re Snake Island.

Please be informed that there were forty-eight (48) men and thirty-two (32) women with a total of eighty (80) residents from Barangay Manalo who attended the Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) campaign of Snake Island NCMCR conducted by the Snake Island Management Office. Some of the fishermen at Snake Island are residents of Barangay Manalo. There have been questions that were raised particularly about the allowable fishing activities at Snake Island.

This will serve as Means of Verification (MoV) for Snake Island NCMCR activities for CY 2023 under the CEPA Campaigns.

RHODORA B. UBANI



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### ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS OF SNAKE ISLAND NATIONAL COASTAL AND MARINE CENTER FOR RESEARCH (SI-NCMCR) AT BARANGAY MANALO, **PUERTO PRINCESA CITY ON MARCH 31, 2023**

In line with the implementation of the Snake Island 5-Year Operational Plan as the DENR National Coastal and Marine Center for Research, Communication, Education and Public Awareness was conducted on March 31, 2023 at Barangay Manalo were forty-eight (48) men and thirty-two (32) women with a total of eighty (80) residents who participated the

The program was started with an opening prayer led by Mr. Genesis Z. Ustares. Followed by a welcome remarks given by Barangay Captain Lorna Dela Rosa.

Marine Biologist Genesis Z. Ustares gave a presentation regarding the Initiatives Taken at Snake Island NCMCR. Followed by the presentation of Data Manager Sanny A. Nedroda regarding the Mangroves. He made mention of the importance of protecting our mangroves as they provide essential habitat for thousands of species and also stabilize shorelines, preventing erosion and protecting the land - and the people who live there - from waves and storms. Research Assistant Jamael Masacal then presented the Marine Debris and how it will affect our health negatively when fish and other organisms ingest the micro-plastics.

When the table was opened for question and answer portion, the following issues and concerns were raised by the residents of Barangay Manalo:

- 1. One of the fisherfolks, Mr. Eduard Radoc asked if is it possible to allow the balatan or sea cucumber while collecting shells in the Snake Island-NCMCR?
  - Marine Biologist II Genesis Z. Ustares then answered that it is currently not allowed but will be considered in the review of the 5-Year Operational Plan of Snake Island NCMCR CY 2023-2028 since we were promoting biodiversity friendly enterprise.
- 2. Mr. Sergio Natividad, a coastguard auxiliary, shared that they were planted a lot of mangroves but only few survived.
  - Data Manager Sanny A. Nedroda shared about the nursery of mangroves and advised him to ask assistance to CENRO Puerto.
- 3. Mr. Maximo Bundal warned the fisherfolks that "timbog" is not just prohibited at Snake Island but is a type of active fishing gear which is prohibited in all municipal waters under Fishery Code RA 8550 as amended as RA 10654.
  - The fisherfolks asked for a Memorandum.



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The activity was closed with a closing remarks by Kagawad Bernardo Magbanua Jr. of Barangay Manalo, and thanking everyone for the very informative presentation.

Attached is the attendance sheet and photo documentation for your reference.

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### PHOTO DOCUMENTATION





Barangay Captain Lorna Dela Rosa, on her opening remarks.





Marine Biologist Genesis Z. Ustares, on his presentation regarding the Initiatives Taken at Snake Island NCMCR.



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SIMO Rhodora B. Ubani, giving Rationale about Snake Island and answering queries of the fisherfolks.





Data Manager Sanny A. Nedroda, on his presentation about Mangroves.



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Research Assistant Jamael Masacal, on her presentation about Marine Debris.



Group picture with the fisherfolks.