

February 23, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

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The OIC, PENR Officer

FROM

The CENR Officer

SUBJECT

SUBMISSION OF HIGH-RESOLUTION PHOTOS FOR THE

WORLD SEA GRASS DAY CELEBRATION

Respectfully submitted herewith are the high-resolution photos in compliance to the electronic mail received by this office on February 22, 2023. The electronic copy of the said photos were already forwarded to the official email of Regional Office and PENROon this even date.

For information and record.

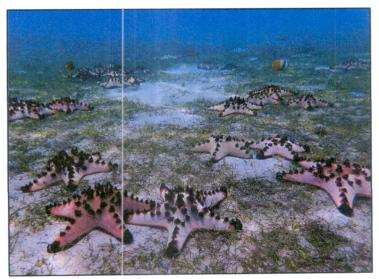


Title: Brotherhood in the Blue

Citation: SI I Walter L. Tolentino of DENR-CENRO Socorro, Oriental Mindoro Year and Place Taken: June 24, 2022 at Barangay Sabang, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro

Description: Dive Master Anthony R. Castillo guides Cartographer I Jay Wihelm Lourd Zeus Kaibigan in proper buoyancy during the training on diving. They were kept afloat above sea grass

beds and starfishes to not disturb the ecology of the area.



Title: Spiky Stars from the Deep Beneath

Citation: SI I Walter L. Tolentino of DENR-CENRO Socorro, Oriental Mindoro Year and Place Taken: June 24 at Barangay Sabang, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro

Description: Numerous Horned Sea Stars (*Protoreaster nodosus*) lay peacefully on sea grass beds as if they are congregating to chat with each other. They are key stone species and endemic to Indo-

Pacific seas. Their presence reflects a healthy marine ecosystem.



Title: Basta SCUBA Diver, Sweet Lover

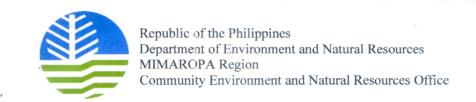
Citation: Dive Master Anthony R. Castillo of Dive You Go

Year and Place Taken: May 07, 2021 at Barangay San Antonio, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro **Description**: The PENRO Oriental Mindoro, CENRO Socorro and CENRO Roxas added an underwater clean-up activity to add thrill and purpose on their dive during their Training on Advance Diving. The area is in the shallow waters of Barangay San Antonio, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro where sandy bottom, sea grass beds and coral reef are present. This simple gesture sets a good example in raising awareness of communities in doing their part for a cleaner and bluer seas.



Title: We're All In This Together **Citation**: DENR Oriental Mindoro

Year and Place Taken: May 07, 2021 at Barangay San Antonio, Puerto Galera, Oriental Mindoro



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