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FROM : The Provincial Environment and
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SUBJECT : **ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED
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COASTAL AND MARINE CENTER FOR RESEARCH
(SI-NCMCR) AT HONDA BAY WHARF, BARANGAY
STA. LOURDES, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY ON JULY 5,
2022**

Forwarded is the memorandum dated July 6, 2022 of SIMO/CDS Chief Rhodora B. Ubani along with the activity report of Research Assistant Edilita B. Demonguitan on the above-mentioned subject.

Per report, four (4) men and twenty (20) women with a total of twenty-four (24) boat owners from Honda Bay Boat Owners Association Incorporated (HOBBAI) of Barangay Sta. Lourdes participated the activity on July 5, 2022.

This serves as our Means of Verification (MoV) for the target on the meetings/conferences and other related activities under CEPA Campaign.

For information and record.



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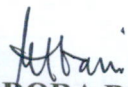
Respectfully forwarded is the activity report of Research Assistant Edilita B. Demonguitan of Snake Island- NCMCR on the above-mentioned subject.

Please be informed that there were four (4) men and twenty (20) women with a total of twenty-four (24) boat owners from Honda Bay Boat Owners Association Incorporated (HOBBAI) of Barangay Sta. Lourdes who attended the Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) campaign of Snake Island NCMCR on July 5, 2022 conducted by the Snake Island Management Office.

The said CEPA activity is one of the target activities of SI-NCMCR as reflected in the WFP 2022. This was being done specifically to coastal communities within or fronting the Honda Bay wherein Snake Island is located. To enhance the level of awareness of coastal communities on Snake Island activities undertaken by the DENR regarding policies being implemented in the island, initiatives taken at Snake Island NCMCR, Blue Carbon and Marine Debris were discussed.

Since Snake Island was part of the island hopping tour of Honda Bay before it was closed to the public, most of the questions were all about the possible reopening of Snake Island for tourism activities. Marine Biologist II Genesis Z. Ustares answered their queries as per DAO 2011-12 function number three: "to serve as a model for sustainable coastal and marine management, as well as the proper implementation of the principles of ecotourism."

For his information and record.


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BARANGAY STA. LOURDES, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY ON JULY 5, 2022**

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 July 5, 2022 at Honda Bay Wharf, Barangay Sta. Lourdes with four (4) men and twenty (20) women with a total of twenty-four (24) residents who participated the activity.

The program was started with an opening prayer led by the undersigned. Followed by a welcome remarks given by Mrs. Analiza A. Magoliño, President of Honda Bay Boat Owners Association Incorporated (HOBBAI). She shared about the active participation of HOBBAI in protecting and conserving the marine resources at Honda Bay by monitoring and reporting the illegal activities caught in the area. She also asked the participants to listen to the presentations prepared to get to know more about the do's and don'ts at Snake Island NCMCR.

The undersigned gave a presentation regarding the Initiatives Taken at Snake Island NCMCR in connection to the implementation of the 5-Year Operational Plan of Snake Island CY 2018-2022. Followed by the presentation of Marine Biologist Genesis Z. Ustares regarding the Blue Carbon and the importance of protecting and conserving our mangrove and seagrass ecosystems. Data Manager Julius F. Landrito then presented the Marine Debris and how it will affect our health negatively when fish and other organisms ingest the microplastics.

When the table was opened for question and answer portion, the following issues and concerns were raised by the boat owners of HOBBAI:

1. Mrs. Ruth Bungalso, a boat owner asked if is it still possible for Snake Island to be opened to public and if the answer is yes, when?
 - Marine Biologist II Genesis Z. Ustares shared the 3rd function of Snake Island as National Coastal and Marine Center for Research which is to serve as a model for sustainable coastal and marine management, as well as the proper implementation of the principles of ecotourism. The island will be opened for tourism activities we cannot tell when to open it and it is not the priority right now because the island is practically overfished and needs to be protected first in order for the coral reef, fish assemblage and other resources to recover and regain its own natural beauty.
2. Mrs. Analiza A. Magoliño, president of the HOBBAI, commented that they are happy that Snake Island is now being protected but she also asked that if we can protect the sea, we should also protect the mountains. As DENR employees, she said that it shouldn't be us to instigate or permitted the others to do illegal activities because it is really disappointing to see small people being penalized for illegal activities but not the rich people?
 - Marine Biologist Genesis Z. Ustares appreciated the efforts of HOBBAI in helping the Snake Island Management Office in monitoring and reporting illegal activities



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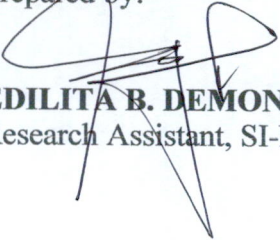
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at Snake Island and other islands as well as the issuance of manifests as attachment for filing of criminal complaint against Felix Betran and Bernardo, illegal settlers in the northern part of Snake Island. He also reassured that such behavior of the government employees should be reported and penalized.

The activity was closed with a closing remarks by Kagawad Elizabeth Sinoy., Chairman of Committee on Environment of Barangay Sta. Lourdes.

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

Prepared by:


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Research Assistant Edilita B. Demonguitan serving as the Emcee of the activity (left) and the participants during the opening prayer (right)



Ms. Analiza Magoliño, President of HOBBAI giving his welcome remarks



Research Assistant Edilita B. Demonguitan presenting the Initiatives taken at Snake Island NCMCR



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Marine Biologist Genesis Z. Ustares presenting the Blue Carbon



Data Manager Julius F. Landrito presenting the Marine Debris



Mrs. Ruth Bungalso and Mrs. Analiza A. Magoliño of HOBBAI raising their concerns about possible opening of Snake Island to tourism activities and policy making and implementation



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Marine Biologist Genesis Z. Ustares answering the queries of the boat owners of HOBBAI



Kagawad Elizabeth Sinoy, head of Committee on Environment of Barangay Sta. Lourdes giving her closing remarks



Group photo with boat owners of HOBBAI of Barangay Sta. Lourdes