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REPORT ON ORIENTATION- WORKSHOP AND

CASCADING ON RAPID

LAND TENURE

APPRAISAL (RLTA) ACTIVITY

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum dated September 08, 2022 from CENR Officer Efren L. delos Reyes, regarding the above-mentioned subject.

In this regard, please be informed that the orientation workshop and cascading was conducted on August 19, 2022 relative to RLTA activities in the Municiplaity of Calintaan, Occidental Mindoro.

For information and record.

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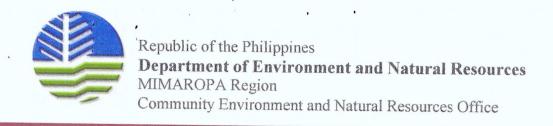
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- 2. Ms. Carolina Amurao, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator of LGU Calintaan also asked on the process of issuance of title for owners of CLOA. Mr. Arago answered that the process of issuance of title is under jurisdiction of Department of Agrarian Reform. He noted that the ROD is in charge on registration of title but DAR prepares the title and assign CLOA Number. Once DAR issued a CLOA to a person, it has a provision of ten years before it can be sold or mortgaged.
- 3. Mr. Marlon Martinez, Barangay Kagawad from Concepcion, Calintaan asked on the process of transfer of title once the owner has died and who are the qualified heirs if the owner has no immediate family and his/her siblings was also deceased. Mr. Arago explained that the heirs may prepare an extra-judicial settlement to decide on whom the property will be transferred. If the previous owner has no immediate family, the next kin will be the siblings or cousins.
- 4. Hon. Sanny Morella, Barangay Captain of Malpalon, Calintaan asked why there are issued titles within Barangay Malpalon if the land classification of the barangay is a forestland. Engr. Nilo Salvador, deputy CENRO of CENRO San Jose answered that there is an approved plan in Barangay Malpalon that was issued way before when the instruments used for verifying land classification is not as advanced. Based on the latest projection of the subject area, it is really within the forest zone. But there are areas within Barangay Malpalon which is within Alienable and Disposable particularly the new barangay site.
- 5. Hon. Daisy Gongora of Barangay Poypoy, Calintaan mentioned that they encounters problems in implementation of some projects since one of the usual requirements is the land title of the subject area. She also asked what documents is needed to be secured by the residents within the residential area in their barangays but is within forest land classification so that they can claim that they have ownership. CENRO Delos Reyes answered that the DENR issues Gratuitous Special Land Use Permit for government projects within Forest lands. This permit should be transformed into presidential proclamation within 3 years. The LGU just needs to submit certain requirements prior to issuance of GSLUP. Regarding residents occupying a portion of forest land, CENRO Delos Reyes said that it doesn't matter how long someone occupy the area and how vast is the development made, s/he cannot apply for patent on those area. Those community residing within forest land may apply for Community Based Forest Management Agreement. It is not a title but a tenurial instrument that has a span of 25 years and renewable for another 25 years so that residents cannot be considered as illegal occupants

of forest lands. CENRO Delos Reyes highlighted that illegal occupation within forestland is punishable by law based on PD 705. Once issued a tenurial instrument, occupants can now utilize their developments within the forestland but most of the developments that should be made focus on agroforestry. Tenure holders can use the area for subsistence and at the same time contribute to the protection and sustainable development of the environment and natural resources. There are other tenurial instruments that can be issued to occupants of forest land like FLAg, FLAgT and SIFMA.

- 6. Hon. Gongora also mentioned that even though the area within their barangay is classified as Forest Zone, it is used mainly for residential purposes and they cannot apply for tenurial instrument since there are no more areas that can be used for agroforestry. CENRO Delos Reyes said that appraisal will be conducted to determine the management of the area. If there are really no area that can be used for agroforestry, the possible solution is for the conversion of the area from Forest land to Alienable and Disposable Area. PENRO Tañada also added that he is attending congressional hearing before regarding final delineation of Forestland within province of Occidental Mindoro. But since there is a new congress representative, the DENR will coordinate with the newly elected congressman to request for approval of the final delineation of land classification within Occidental Mindoro. Since it will take some time to prosper, he encourage the participants to apply for tenurial instruments if they are occupying areas within Forestlands.
- 7. MPDC Carolina Amurao also shared that they encounter problems on residents from Barangay Poypoy that is requesting locational clearance for residential and commercial establishment from their office. She said that they cannot issue locational clearance if it is within forest zone especially if it is within the Protected Area. She requested that barangay captains refrain from issuing certificate of actual occupancy if it is within protected area.
- Mr. Allan Lumawig, SB Member of LGU-Calintaan and a member of Tau-Buid tribe, asked if tenured migrants within protected area will benefit on the RLTA Activity. He also said that there is an incident wherein CBFM holders is using the issued cutting permit to cut native trees within their ancestral domain. He asked the authorities present to look into this matter. CENRO Delos Reyes answered that tenured migrants within Protected Area is under the jurisdiction of PAMO and PAMB. He said that once tenured migrants are identified, they can also organize themselves to apply for PACBRMA which is a tenurial instrument equivalent to CBFM outside protected area. On the question if tenured migrants will be included in the RLTA activity, he said that protected area is not included. With regards to the CBFM in question, he said that the office issued a cutting permit after the onslaught of Typhoon Ursula. The CBFM is already on its 20 years and there are many Gmelina trees that fell during the typhoon. In consideration for the occupants, a cutting permit was issued so they can utilize the trees felled but it shall be strictly for the Gmelina trees and not for native or naturally grown trees. The cutting permit issued had already expired and the Office will investigate this matter. He also mentioned the issue about CBFM within the Ancestral Domain. It was agreed that since the Gmelina trees are planted by the People's Organization, they may utilize it. But after harvesting, the area will be used again by the IPs. The Ancestral Domain may be excluded from the CBFM area if the agreement will be renewed.
- 9. Hon. Abner M. Apolinario, one of Barangay Kagawad in Tanyag, Calintaan said that their barangay issued numerous resolutions, duly adopted by the municipality, so that the

previous grazing areas within their barangay be titled to actual occupants. But upon verification on the CENR Office, those areas are found to be within forestland. He is asking why is it classified as forestland if the area is flat and is currently used mainly for agriculture. CENRO Delos Reyes said that it is true that the barangay had already submitted numerous resolutions requesting to dispose the area to the actual occupants. He also said that there are previously titled lots to individuals on basis of approved plan. But because of advancement in technology today, it can easily be verified if an area is within A and D or Forestland. The Office cannot issue title to areas if it is within forestland even if the adjoining areas has already been disposed or titled. Only areas classified as Alienable and Disposable can be titled.

- 10. Hon. Apolinario also said that there are problems on the existing approved plan within So. Gutad of their barangay and they are requesting DENR to conduct a consultation meeting prior to resumption of free patent applications for the approved plan. There are lots missing in the plan while other lots are bigger on plan compared to the area actually occupied by survey claimants. CENRO Delos Reyes said that it can be attributed to the survey instrument used before and there are also claimants who are not being honest on the total area they actually occupy during conduct of survey. Hon. Apolinario added that it can also be attributed to plan not being checked on ground prior to approval. CENRO Delos Reyes said that these issues will be resolved in the RLTA process since a clear picture of Alienable and Disposable areas subject to titling will be generated and the issues on problematic areas can be identified.
- 11. Hon. Apolinario also asked on how to locate the title of Barangay Hall of Tanyag which is said to be lost. Mr. Arago from ROD said that they need to ask the Assessor's Office regarding the title number or lot number of the Barangay Hall. Once lot number or survey number is identified, they can check with the Registry of Deeds the status of the title if it is sold and if it is really lost, the barangay need to file an affidavit of loss. Engr. Salvador also suggested that they can check the records of the office regarding lot number and application number of the Barangay Hall since it is a special patent.
- 12. Hon. Reynaldo B. Dormido, Sangguniang Bayan Member of LGU-Calintaan, shared an issue regarding Campano-Guevarra areas in the municipality. He said that there are areas already disposed applicants through Certificate of Land Ownership Agreement but has not materialized into title until now. In effect, the municipality cannot collect taxes on those areas. Upon tracing on DAR office, it is found that these areas are not yet paid in full. He said that the main problem is that the owner of CLOA is not the ones actually occupying and utilizing the area. The actual occupant refuses to leave and they are requesting that the agreement on holder be cancelled since they are the ones that are actually occupying the area. DAR representative Mr. Edmund D. Almogela said that these issue is being discussed and can only be resolved by the central office. He said that it is possible that there are agreements to be cancelled and areas that will be minimized to cater for the correct technical description of particular lots.
- 13. Hon. Daisy Gongora also raised an issue regarding the list of unclaimed titles from the Registry of Deeds. She said that there are lots possibly titled to certain persons but there are different actual occupant on the same area. There are also instances before wherein the lot surveyed was not titled to the actual occupants. She asked where to get the data of the lot numbers of title holders from the list of Registry of Deeds to verify on ground if these persons are the actual occupants of the said lot. CENRO Delos Reyes said that they can get the information from the CENR Office. He also explained that titles can be

withdrawn and cancelled in the level of provincial office of DENR if it is not yet registered if there are problems in the title issued. He also said that there is irregularities in the application process if a title need to be cancelled. Cancellation is not easy since there are numerous process in the application prior to issuance of title. An investigation is conducted by public land inspector, there is posting of notice of application, also the affidavit of disinterested person and certification of actual occupancy from barangay is required. Certification of Actual Occupancy from the barangay is a hard reference on the validity of application since local leaders from the barangays are the ones who knew the applicant and the area applied than the land investigator.

14. Mr. Juanito Lumawig, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member and representative of the Tau Buid Tribe, asked regarding status of discussion of claims in Sablayan Penal Colony. He said that they are requesting that the area be titled to their tribe. PENR Officer Tañada said that the Penal Colony is a reservation under Department of Justice. More consultation meetings need to be conducted since there is overlap in the subject area. The IPs are claiming it as part of their Ancestral Domain while DOJ also claims it as a reservation. There is also an issue with DENR since tamaraw is present in the area and they are proposing for it to be declared as a critical habitat. He said that he will update the honorable SP member if there will be another development on discussions in the subject area.

Part IV: Closing Ceremony

Future Plans and Way-Forward;

Mrs. Rhodora A. Garcia, LMO III/Chief, RPS of CENRO San Jose shared the next activities to be conducted after the Orientation and Cascading. She said that the office will be consolidating information from Department of Agrarian Reform, Registry of Deeds, Regional Trial Court and Office of National Commission on Indigenous Peoples to identify the areas already issued with titles. Hopefully on the following year, RLTA will be fully implemented. Another meeting will be conducted, especially with Barangay Captains, to coordinate activities of enumerators on the ground. She said that she is expecting the support of everyone present for the success of this project.

Awarding of Certificates:

The Office of CENR San Jose also awarded Certificates of Appreciation to LGU-Calintaan, Engr. Cynthia Lozano, and other resource persons from National Agencies for their support on the Orientation and Cascading activity.

Closing Remarks:

On behalf of the Honorable Mayor Dante Esteban, SB Member Reynaldo Dormido thanked the DENR Personnel, Resource Persons and Representatives from National Agencies present in the meeting and answered the queries of the participants. He is also thanked the local officials who showed their support during the meeting. He said that he is hoping that the RLTA activity will be the start of resolution of issues involving land within their municipality. He also said that he appreciate the best practices shared by the resource person and hoped that it can also be implemented in Calintaan. SB Dormido also expressed his appreciation to CENRO Delos Reyes on the programs implemented within the Municipality of Calintaan, particularly Bamboolution, that will benefit not just the present but also the future generations. He said that

he hope this initiative will not end in the meeting but should also be transformed into programs implemented on ground in compliance to existing laws and regulations for the development of the municipality.

Engr. Nilo Salvador also delivered a closing message. He thanked the participants and resource persons in the activity and encouraged cooperation of everyone to resolve the numerous issues that was identified during the meeting.

Adjournment:

After all topics were discussed and all queries are answered, the meeting ended at 3:30 in the afternoon.

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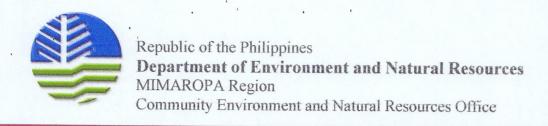
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Hon. Mayor Dante C. Esteban delivering his welcome message to participants.





CENRO Efren L. Delos Reyes on introduction of participants and welcome message.



PENRO Ernesto E. Tañada delivering a short message prior to Orientation Proper.





Engr. Cynthia Lozano during Orientation on Rapid Land Tenure Appraisal (RLTA) Activity.



SB Reynaldo Dormido inquiring about status of CLOA within Barangay Tanyag, Calintaan.













Other photos taken during Open Forum.









Awarding of Certificate of Appreciation to Resource Persons and LGU-Calintaan.





Hon. SB Member Reynaldo Dormido and Engr. Nilo P. Salvador delivering a closing message after the orientation proper.



Participants and Resource persons of the Orientation/Workshop and Cascading on Rapid Land Tenure Appraisal (RLTA) Activity in the Municipality of Calintaan.



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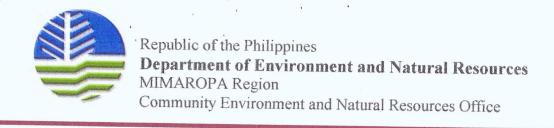
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- 2. Ms. Carolina Amurao, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator of LGU Calintaan also asked on the process of issuance of title for owners of CLOA. Mr. Arago answered that the process of issuance of title is under jurisdiction of Department of Agrarian Reform. He noted that the ROD is in charge on registration of title but DAR prepares the title and assign CLOA Number. Once DAR issued a CLOA to a person, it has a provision of ten years before it can be sold or mortgaged.
- 3. Mr. Marlon Martinez, Barangay Kagawad from Concepcion, Calintaan asked on the process of transfer of title once the owner has died and who are the qualified heirs if the owner has no immediate family and his/her siblings was also deceased. Mr. Arago explained that the heirs may prepare an extra-judicial settlement to decide on whom the property will be transferred. If the previous owner has no immediate family, the next kin will be the siblings or cousins.
- 4. Hon. Sanny Morella, Barangay Captain of Malpalon, Calintaan asked why there are issued titles within Barangay Malpalon if the land classification of the barangay is a forestland. Engr. Nilo Salvador, deputy CENRO of CENRO San Jose answered that there is an approved plan in Barangay Malpalon that was issued way before when the instruments used for verifying land classification is not as advanced. Based on the latest projection of the subject area, it is really within the forest zone. But there are areas within Barangay Malpalon which is within Alienable and Disposable particularly the new barangay site.
- 5. Hon. Daisy Gongora of Barangay Poypoy, Calintaan mentioned that they encounters problems in implementation of some projects since one of the usual requirements is the land title of the subject area. She also asked what documents is needed to be secured by the residents within the residential area in their barangays but is within forest land classification so that they can claim that they have ownership. CENRO Delos Reyes answered that the DENR issues Gratuitous Special Land Use Permit for government projects within Forest lands. This permit should be transformed into presidential proclamation within 3 years. The LGU just needs to submit certain requirements prior to issuance of GSLUP. Regarding residents occupying a portion of forest land, CENRO Delos Reyes said that it doesn't matter how long someone occupy the area and how vast is the development made, s/he cannot apply for patent on those area. Those community residing within forest land may apply for Community Based Forest Management Agreement. It is not a title but a tenurial instrument that has a span of 25 years and renewable for another 25 years so that residents cannot be considered as illegal occupants

of forest lands. CENRO Delos Reyes highlighted that illegal occupation within forestland is punishable by law based on PD 705. Once issued a tenurial instrument, occupants can now utilize their developments within the forestland but most of the developments that should be made focus on agroforestry. Tenure holders can use the area for subsistence and at the same time contribute to the protection and sustainable development of the environment and natural resources. There are other tenurial instruments that can be issued to occupants of forest land like FLAg, FLAgT and SIFMA.

- 6. Hon. Gongora also mentioned that even though the area within their barangay is classified as Forest Zone, it is used mainly for residential purposes and they cannot apply for tenurial instrument since there are no more areas that can be used for agroforestry. CENRO Delos Reyes said that appraisal will be conducted to determine the management of the area. If there are really no area that can be used for agroforestry, the possible solution is for the conversion of the area from Forest land to Alienable and Disposable Area. PENRO Tañada also added that he is attending congressional hearing before regarding final delineation of Forestland within province of Occidental Mindoro. But since there is a new congress representative, the DENR will coordinate with the newly elected congressman to request for approval of the final delineation of land classification within Occidental Mindoro. Since it will take some time to prosper, he encourage the participants to apply for tenurial instruments if they are occupying areas within Forestlands.
- 7. MPDC Carolina Amurao also shared that they encounter problems on residents from Barangay Poypoy that is requesting locational clearance for residential and commercial establishment from their office. She said that they cannot issue locational clearance if it is within forest zone especially if it is within the Protected Area. She requested that barangay captains refrain from issuing certificate of actual occupancy if it is within protected area.
- 8. Mr. Allan Lumawig, SB Member of LGU-Calintaan and a member of Tau-Buid tribe, asked if tenured migrants within protected area will benefit on the RLTA Activity. He also said that there is an incident wherein CBFM holders is using the issued cutting permit to cut native trees within their ancestral domain. He asked the authorities present to look into this matter. CENRO Delos Reyes answered that tenured migrants within Protected Area is under the jurisdiction of PAMO and PAMB. He said that once tenured migrants are identified, they can also organize themselves to apply for PACBRMA which is a tenurial instrument equivalent to CBFM outside protected area. On the question if tenured migrants will be included in the RLTA activity, he said that protected area is not included. With regards to the CBFM in question, he said that the office issued a cutting permit after the onslaught of Typhoon Ursula. The CBFM is already on its 20 years and there are many Gmelina trees that fell during the typhoon. In consideration for the occupants, a cutting permit was issued so they can utilize the trees felled but it shall be strictly for the Gmelina trees and not for native or naturally grown trees. The cutting permit issued had already expired and the Office will investigate this matter. He also mentioned the issue about CBFM within the Ancestral Domain. It was agreed that since the Gmelina trees are planted by the People's Organization, they may utilize it. But after harvesting, the area will be used again by the IPs. The Ancestral Domain may be excluded from the CBFM area if the agreement will be renewed.
- 9. Hon. Abner M. Apolinario, one of Barangay Kagawad in Tanyag, Calintaan said that their barangay issued numerous resolutions, duly adopted by the municipality, so that the

previous grazing areas within their barangay be titled to actual occupants. But upon verification on the CENR Office, those areas are found to be within forestland. He is asking why is it classified as forestland if the area is flat and is currently used mainly for agriculture. CENRO Delos Reyes said that it is true that the barangay had already submitted numerous resolutions requesting to dispose the area to the actual occupants. He also said that there are previously titled lots to individuals on basis of approved plan. But because of advancement in technology today, it can easily be verified if an area is within A and D or Forestland. The Office cannot issue title to areas if it is within forestland even if the adjoining areas has already been disposed or titled. Only areas classified as Alienable and Disposable can be titled.

- 10. Hon. Apolinario also said that there are problems on the existing approved plan within So. Gutad of their barangay and they are requesting DENR to conduct a consultation meeting prior to resumption of free patent applications for the approved plan. There are lots missing in the plan while other lots are bigger on plan compared to the area actually occupied by survey claimants. CENRO Delos Reyes said that it can be attributed to the survey instrument used before and there are also claimants who are not being honest on the total area they actually occupy during conduct of survey. Hon. Apolinario added that it can also be attributed to plan not being checked on ground prior to approval. CENRO Delos Reyes said that these issues will be resolved in the RLTA process since a clear picture of Alienable and Disposable areas subject to titling will be generated and the issues on problematic areas can be identified.
- 11. Hon. Apolinario also asked on how to locate the title of Barangay Hall of Tanyag which is said to be lost. Mr. Arago from ROD said that they need to ask the Assessor's Office regarding the title number or lot number of the Barangay Hall. Once lot number or survey number is identified, they can check with the Registry of Deeds the status of the title if it is sold and if it is really lost, the barangay need to file an affidavit of loss. Engr. Salvador also suggested that they can check the records of the office regarding lot number and application number of the Barangay Hall since it is a special patent.
- 12. Hon. Reynaldo B. Dormido, Sangguniang Bayan Member of LGU-Calintaan, shared an issue regarding Campano-Guevarra areas in the municipality. He said that there are areas already disposed applicants through Certificate of Land Ownership Agreement but has not materialized into title until now. In effect, the municipality cannot collect taxes on those areas. Upon tracing on DAR office, it is found that these areas are not yet paid in full. He said that the main problem is that the owner of CLOA is not the ones actually occupying and utilizing the area. The actual occupant refuses to leave and they are requesting that the agreement on holder be cancelled since they are the ones that are actually occupying the area. DAR representative Mr. Edmund D. Almogela said that these issue is being discussed and can only be resolved by the central office. He said that it is possible that there are agreements to be cancelled and areas that will be minimized to cater for the correct technical description of particular lots.
- 13. Hon. Daisy Gongora also raised an issue regarding the list of unclaimed titles from the Registry of Deeds. She said that there are lots possibly titled to certain persons but there are different actual occupant on the same area. There are also instances before wherein the lot surveyed was not titled to the actual occupants. She asked where to get the data of the lot numbers of title holders from the list of Registry of Deeds to verify on ground if these persons are the actual occupants of the said lot. CENRO Delos Reyes said that they can get the information from the CENR Office. He also explained that titles can be

withdrawn and cancelled in the level of provincial office of DENR if it is not yet registered if there are problems in the title issued. He also said that there is irregularities in the application process if a title need to be cancelled. Cancellation is not easy since there are numerous process in the application prior to issuance of title. An investigation is conducted by public land inspector, there is posting of notice of application, also the affidavit of disinterested person and certification of actual occupancy from barangay is required. Certification of Actual Occupancy from the barangay is a hard reference on the validity of application since local leaders from the barangays are the ones who knew the applicant and the area applied than the land investigator.

14. Mr. Juanito Lumawig, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member and representative of the Tau Buid Tribe, asked regarding status of discussion of claims in Sablayan Penal Colony. He said that they are requesting that the area be titled to their tribe. PENR Officer Tañada said that the Penal Colony is a reservation under Department of Justice. More consultation meetings need to be conducted since there is overlap in the subject area. The IPs are claiming it as part of their Ancestral Domain while DOJ also claims it as a reservation. There is also an issue with DENR since tamaraw is present in the area and they are proposing for it to be declared as a critical habitat. He said that he will update the honorable SP member if there will be another development on discussions in the subject area.

Part IV: Closing Ceremony

Future Plans and Way-Forward:

Mrs. Rhodora A. Garcia, LMO III/Chief, RPS of CENRO San Jose shared the next activities to be conducted after the Orientation and Cascading. She said that the office will be consolidating information from Department of Agrarian Reform, Registry of Deeds, Regional Trial Court and Office of National Commission on Indigenous Peoples to identify the areas already issued with titles. Hopefully on the following year, RLTA will be fully implemented. Another meeting will be conducted, especially with Barangay Captains, to coordinate activities of enumerators on the ground. She said that she is expecting the support of everyone present for the success of this project.

Awarding of Certificates:

The Office of CENR San Jose also awarded Certificates of Appreciation to LGU-Calintaan, Engr. Cynthia Lozano, and other resource persons from National Agencies for their support on the Orientation and Cascading activity.

Closing Remarks:

On behalf of the Honorable Mayor Dante Esteban, SB Member Reynaldo Dormido thanked the DENR Personnel, Resource Persons and Representatives from National Agencies present in the meeting and answered the queries of the participants. He is also thanked the local officials who showed their support during the meeting. He said that he is hoping that the RLTA activity will be the start of resolution of issues involving land within their municipality. He also said that he appreciate the best practices shared by the resource person and hoped that it can also be implemented in Calintaan. SB Dormido also expressed his appreciation to CENRO Delos Reyes on the programs implemented within the Municipality of Calintaan, particularly Bamboolution, that will benefit not just the present but also the future generations. He said that

he hope this initiative will not end in the meeting but should also be transformed into programs implemented on ground in compliance to existing laws and regulations for the development of the municipality.

Engr. Nilo Salvador also delivered a closing message. He thanked the participants and resource persons in the activity and encouraged cooperation of everyone to resolve the numerous issues that was identified during the meeting.

Adjournment:

After all topics were discussed and all queries are answered, the meeting ended at 3:30 in the afternoon.

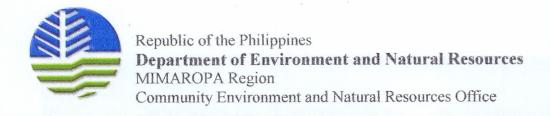
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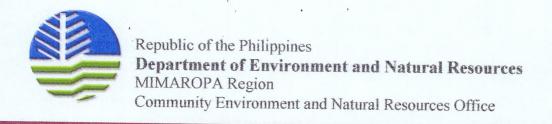


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PENRO Ernesto E. Tañada delivering a short message prior to Orientation Proper.





Engr. Cynthia Lozano during Orientation on Rapid Land Tenure Appraisal (RLTA) Activity.



SB Reynaldo Dormido inquiring about status of CLOA within Barangay Tanyag, Calintaan.













Other photos taken during Open Forum.









Awarding of Certificate of Appreciation to Resource Persons and LGU-Calintaan.





Hon. SB Member Reynaldo Dormido and Engr. Nilo P. Salvador delivering a closing message after the orientation proper.



Participants and Resource persons of the Orientation/Workshop and Cascading on Rapid Land Tenure Appraisal (RLTA) Activity in the Municipality of Calintaan.