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Department of Environment and Natural Resources
PENRO Marinduque

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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Regional Executive Director**
DENR MIMAROPA Region

THRU : The Regional Strategic Communication and Initiatives Group (RSIG)

FROM : In-Charge Office of the PENRO

SUBJECT : **REPORT ON THE CELEBRATION OF MONTH OF THE OCEAN (MOO) 2023.**

Forwarded is the report on the conducted Coastal Clean-up , Communication Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) and Mangrove Planting activity held on May 18-19, 2023 in line with the Celebration of Month of the Ocean (MOO) with the theme ***“Sustainably Feed the Global Population”*** emphasizes the significance of conservation, protection, and sustainable management of coastal and marine resources.

This participants were the residents of the said barangay, representatives from the Philippine National Police (PNP), and PENRO-Marinduque personnel.

Attached herewith are the report and photos taken during the event.

For your information and record.

“For and in the absence of the OIC-PENRO”


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**REPORT ON THE CELEBRATION OF
MONTH OF THE OCEAN (MOO)
MAY 2023**

I. INTRODUCTION:

The “Month of the Ocean” is celebrated annually every month of May by virtue of Presidential Proclamation No. 57, series of 1999 which recognizes that “coastal and marine resources provide both economic and ecological benefits, such as food, livelihood, recreation and other services, as well as biodiversity, aesthetic value, and shoreline protection”. This year’s theme “Sustainably Feed the Global Population” emphasizes the significance of conservation, protection, and sustainable management of coastal and marine resources. And in line with the celebration of the MOO, the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) - Marinduque in cooperation with the Barangay Local Government Units (BLGUs) initiated the Coastal Clean-up and Mangrove Planting Activity in Barangays Banuyo, Gasan and Sayao, Mogpog, respectively.

On May 18, 2023, the Coastal Clean-Up activity was conducted at the coastal of Barangay Banuyo in the Municipality of Gasan. It was participated by a total of ninety-two (92) participants from the residents of the said barangay, representatives from the Philippine National Police (PNP), and PENRO-Marinduque personnel. A Communication, Education, and Public Awareness (CEPA) campaign was also held that left an impact to the participants on the importance of taking action in protecting the environment and preserving the mother earth for the present and future generations.

On May 19, 2023, the Mangrove Planting activity was successfully undertaken with a total of ninety (90) participants in collaboration with the Barangay Local Government Unit of Sayao, in the Municipality of Mogpog, and representatives from the Philippine National Police (PNP). A total of two hundred (200) mangrove propagules (bakauan babae and bakauan lalaki) were planted within the coastal area. It aims to prevent further destruction of mangroves and helps in the restoration of mangrove ecosystems.

OIC-PENR Officer Imelda M. Diaz spearheaded the said activities as part of PENRO-Marinduque’s continuous effort on environmental advocacy. She delivered impactful message to all the participants highlighting the "No to Single Use Plastic" campaign.

II. OBJECTIVES OF THE ACTIVITY

The objectives of the activities are as follows:

1. To conduct clean-up along the coastal area of Brgy. Banuyo, in the Municipality of Gasan, Province of Marinduque;
2. Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) campaign about the Climate Change Act of 2009 (Republic Act 9729), Impact of Human Activities on Coastal and Marine Ecosystem and Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 (Republic Act 9003);

3. To conduct Mangrove Planting at the coastal area of Brgy. Sayao, in the Municipality of Mogpog, Province of Marinduque;
4. To emphasize the importance of protecting, conserving and sustaining the coastal and marine resources in the province;
5. To encourage the participating Barangays and other stakeholders to intensify protection and management of the environment;
6. To impart the importance of proper waste disposal to the coastal communities; and
7. To gain awareness of the different programs and policies implemented by the government in protecting coastal marines.

III. COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS (CEPA)

On May 18, 2023, the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources-Marinduque conducted CEPA campaign after the coastal clean-up at the Barangay Hall of Banuyo, Gasan. The program started with a short prayer led by Mr. Ronald Matining. It was followed by a welcome remark from the Punong Barangay of Banuyo, Bernabe M. Sadiwa. PENR Officer Imelda Diaz delivered her message focusing on the proper waste segregation, environmental advocacy best practices and “No to Single Use Plastic” campaign. Mr. Leodegario Mogol Jr, a representative from the Municipality of Gasan, also shared his informative message on the “No Segregation, No Collection” policy. The implementation of the said policy is on full swing in the Municipality of Gasan, wherein the residents and business owners were advised to properly segregate their non-biodegradable and biodegradable wastes for proper disposal. He expressed the Municipality’s full support on the environmental advocacies of the government.

Forester Nannette M. Joven, Chief of the Monitoring and Enforcement Section (MES), PENRO Marinduque, shared her knowledge about climate change, its long-term effects in our society and ways on how to prevent climate change.

Forester Joybert F. Mijares, Senior Forest Management Specialist of MES, discussed the topics regarding deforestation and the impact of human activities on coastal and marine environment.

Mr. Jonathan Motol from the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) refreshed the participants regarding Republic Act (RA) No. 9003, also known as the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000. He presented clips and photos of the activities conducted by the EMB from different Municipalities in Marinduque that promote improved solid waste management techniques, waste reduction and recovery.

Towards the end of the program, PENR Officer Imelda Diaz encouraged the participants to share their insights about the topics discussed including their practices on waste disposal. Two of the participants shared their practices and realization and the positive

impact of proper waste management to their lives. They also expressed gratitude to the efforts of the government to conduct activities as such.

Lastly, Engr. Cynthia U. Lozano, Chief from the Technical Services Division, delivered her closing remarks and reiterated the importance of taking care of our environment and the beneficial effect of a proper waste management to people and environment. She further expressed her gratitude to the PENRO Marinduque facilitators, resource speakers, guests, and participants.

IV. PHOTOS TAKEN DURING THE CEPA



Forest Technician I Corazon Pelaez hosted the Communication, Education and Public Awareness Campaign Conducted in Brgy. Banuyo, Gasan, Marinduque.



Photo Opportunity of Coastal Clean Up Participants prior the CEPA Campaign



Mathematician Aide II Ronald Matining Leading the Prayer



**Philippine National Police and Other Participants
Singing of Philippine National Anthem**



**Punong Barangay of Banuyo, Bernabe M. Sadiwa Welcoming
the Coastal Clean-Up Participants**



PENR Officer Imelda Diaz Delivering Her Message During the CEPA Campaign



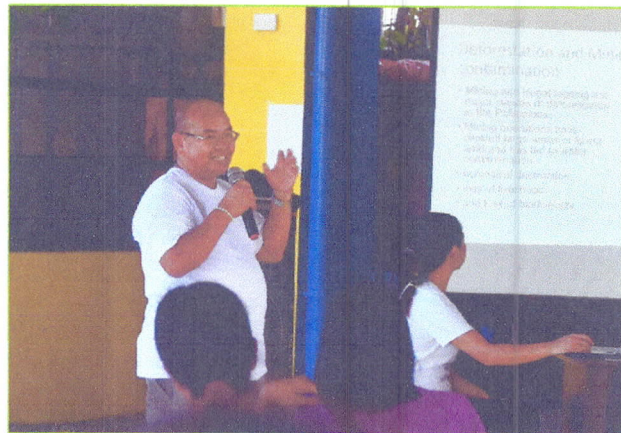
Representative from LGU Gasan Delivering His Message During the CEPA Campaign



Consultant to the Governor Randy Ayala Delivering His Message During the CEPA Campaign



Forester III Nannette Joven Discussing the R.A. 9729 also Known as Climate Change Act of 2009



Senior Forest Management Specialist Joybert Mijares Shared His Knowledge About the Impact of Human Activities on Coastal and Marine Environment



Mr. Jonathan Motol Discussing the R.A. 9003 Also Known as Ecological Solid Waste Management



Engr. Cynthia U. Lozano, Chief of Technical Services Division, As She Delivered Message of Gratitude to the PENRO Marinduque Facilitators, Resource Speakers, Guests, and Participants.

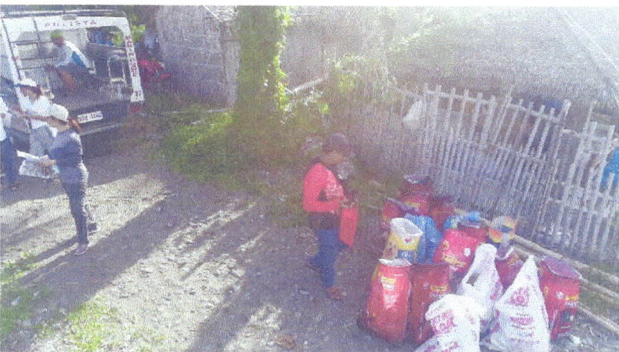
V. PHOTOS TAKEN DURING THE COASTAL CLEAN-UP IN BRGY. BANUYO, GASAN, MARINDUQUE



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VI. MANGROVE PLANTING ACTIVITY IN BRGY. SAYAO, MOGPOG, MARINDUQUE

On May 19, 2023, the Mangrove Planting activity spearheaded by the DENR-PENRO Marinduque in cooperation with the Barangay Local Government Unit of Sayao, in the Municipality of Mogpog, Province of Marinduque and the representatives from the Philippine National Police was conducted with a total of ninety (90) participants and with two hundred (200) mangrove propagules (*bakauan babae* and *bakauan lalaki*) planted at the coastal area of Brgy. Sayao, Mogpog, Marinduque. The said activity aims to provide valuable flood protection and risk reduction benefits to the coastal area. Coastal ecosystem like mangroves is crucial in reducing the damages caused by floods to both people and property by acting as natural barriers to waves and storm surges.



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