



## AD Scientific Index names Talactac as Top-Cited Scientist

Dr. Melbourne R. Talactac, CvSU vice president for Research and Extension and faculty of the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (CVMBBS), was named Top-Cited Scientist in the January 29, 2022 edition of the Alper-Dodger (AD) Scientific Index, a ranking system with a methodology based on the principle of including only meritorious scientists. Dr. Talactac earned such honour particularly for the study titled, “Mucosal Immunization with Recombinant Influenza Hemagglutinin Protein and Poly Gamma-glutamate/chitosan Nanoparticles Induces Protection Against Highly Pathogenic Influenza A Virus”, published in 2012 with 44 citations as per Google Scholar to date.

Dr. Talactac was recognized as one of the 12 Outstanding Young Scientists by the National Academy of Science and Technology and Philippine Veterinary Medical Association’s Outstanding Veterinarian in Education in 2020 and is currently working on influenza virus studies under Dr. Richard J. Webby of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee as a Fulbright Visiting Scholar.



DR. MELBOURNE R. TALACTAC

**TOP-CITED  
SCIENTIST**

(Picture grabbed from the  
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## DOST Secretary visits DOSTRUCK project



Hon. Jasmin Angeli M. Bautista (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) and Dr. Hernando D. Robles (right) welcome DOST Sec. Fortunato T. de la Peña (2<sup>nd</sup> from right) with Ms. Emelita P. Bagsit (left)

Dr. Fortunato T. de la Peña, secretary of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), visited the Technology in the Region for Upscaling of Community Knowledge, popularly known as DOSTRUCK last February 22. The activity was attended by representatives and officials from DOST-CALABARZON, DOST Provincial Science and Technology Center (PSTC), DOST

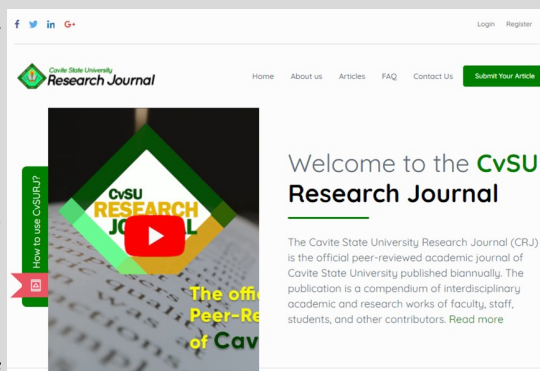
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## OVPRE launches two websites

The Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension (OVPRE) launched the CvSU Research Journal (CRJ) website and the Research and Extension Collection and Repository of Data (RECORD) System, two of its special projects, on its Facebook page last February 1.

The CRJ website is an online extension of the CvSU Research Journal developed in order to streamline the publication process of submitted manuscripts and serves as an archive to access previously published research articles from 2018 to 2021. The website allows users to submit their research manuscripts and be peer-reviewed by experts in various fields, and

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The CvSU Research Journal website

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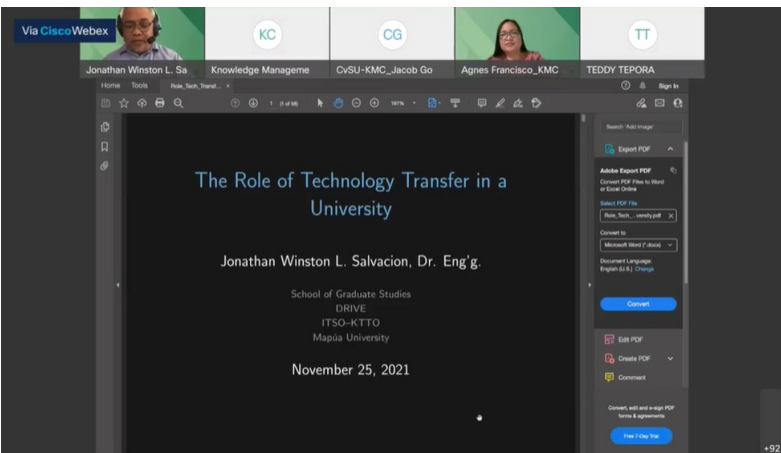
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## KTTO collaborates with OVPRE, KMC on tech transfer webinar

The Knowledge and Technology Transfer Office (KTTO) collaborated with the Knowledge Management Center (KMC) and Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension (OVPRE) in the conduct of the webinar titled, "The Role of Technology Transfer in the University" held last November 25, 2021 via Cisco Webex and streamed on Facebook Live. The activity aimed to provide students, faculty, and staff with an introduction and concepts of technology transfer for a better understanding of the importance and benefits of transferring technology owned by the University.

Dr. Agnes C. Francisco, KMC director, welcomed the participants while Dr. Melbourne R. Talactac, vice president for Research and Extension, delivered an inspirational message and encouraged the participants not to stop with their researches after submitting terminal reports but rather develop them further and transfer the knowledge and technology to broader audience for applications. A short audio-video presentation showcasing CvSU-owned technologies followed. Meanwhile, Engr. Sheryl Dinglasan- Fenol, KTO manager, introduced Dr. Jonathan W.L. Salvacion, director for Directed Research for Innovation and Value Enhancement at Mapúa University, who served as the resource speaker.

Dr. Salvacion, in his talk, emphasized that even the most ingenious research would not impact the lives of the broader audience unless the research is transformed into products and services useful to the public. He further cited some classic examples of technological transfer such as PAP smear, pacemakers, and seatbelts. *“The role of technology transfer in a*



*Dr. Jonathan W.L. Salvacion during his talk*

university is to capture value from Intellectual Property and license them, provide expertise, foster collaboration between researchers, and create policies and procedures on technology transfer.” Dr. Salvacion said. He also mentioned the possible rewards for the university for establishing a Knowledge and Technology Transfer Office such as promotion of culture of innovation and entrepreneurship among the students and faculty, and opportunity for academic work to have additional positive impact.

Lastly, Dr. Teddy F. Tepora, head of the Intellectual Property Management Division (IPMD) and manager of the Intellectual Transfer and Support Office (ITSO), thanked everyone for attending and actively participating in the webinar. The activity was moderated by Mr. Jacob M. Gomez, KTTO technical staff. (*Jacob M. Gomez*)

# Got the next big idea?




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Also in the list were Engr. R. Arboleda, associate professor from the College of Engineering and Information Technology for his work titled, "Classification of Coffee Bean Species Using Image Processing, Artificial Neural Network and K nearest neighbors"; Dr. Cristina F. Olo and Dr. Lilibeth P. Novicio professors from the College of Agriculture, Food, Environment and Natural Resources (CAFENR) for the studies titled, "The Adipose Obese Gene Product, Leptin: Evidence of a Direct Inhibitory Role in Ovarian Function" and "Adsorption Capacities and Related Characteristics of Wood Charcoals Carbonized Using a One-step or Two-step Process", respectively, and Dr. Adrian Miki C. Macalanda of CVMBS for his study titled, "Oral Administration of Azithromycin Ameliorates Trypanosomosis in *Trypanosoma Congolense* infected Mice".



**TOP 28**  
BEST PH  
UNIVERSITY

Meanwhile, in the same ranking system, Cavite State University was indexed as the 28th top university out of the 65 public and private universities in the Philippines. (*Melinda B. Eugenio*)



# Talactac shares expertise on research publication

Dr. Melbourne R. Talactac, vice president for Research and Extension, shared his expertise on research publication in a webinar titled, “Advocate, Nurture and Sustain a Strong Culture of Research and Foster Academic-Community Partnership” sponsored by the Taguig City University last January 26 via Zoom video conferencing.

Dr. Talactac, a firm believer in the *publish or perish* ideology, told the participants that a new knowledge, invention, or discovery through research, unless written and published, is a waste because publishing a research, though a privilege, is also hard work. He emphasized that lack of confidence, fear of failure or rejection, and even fear towards editors and reviewers hinder researchers in publishing their works. He, then, shared different tips and tricks on how to successfully publish articles. He said that everything starts from believing in oneself and being confident in what one does because it will reflect in the manuscript. He also mentioned that collaborating with fellow researchers greatly helps in writing since two minds would always be better than one. He further said that self-rejection and non-submission of the manuscript after undergoing a peer-review would not help the researcher to publish his/her paper. “*The key in publication is working your way from starting small and continuously doing research,*” he said.



He further explained the purpose of scrutiny or criticism from reviewers and editors. He added that one's expertise and experience as seen online help in the publication of articles.

Lastly, he discussed the importance of preparing and selecting the journal to be published to learn more about the journal, its background, and guidelines. Using proper software and tools in editing and having a friend would help polish the paper before submitting it. (Gierone Lianni A. Reyes)

## DOST Secretary visits ...

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Metals Industry Research and Development Center (MIRDC), Magallanes, Cavite Local Government Unit (LGU), Tua Coffee Growers' Association led by Mr. Joseph G. Tampes, president, and the Cavite State University (CvSU).

Dr. de la Peña was welcomed by Dr. Hernando D. Robles, CvSU president, together with Hon. Jasmin Angelli Maligaya-Bautista, municipal mayor of Magallanes, Cavite. Other officials and representatives present were Dr. Almira G. Magcawas, CvSU director for Extension Services, Engr. Freddie D. Sisante, Municipal Agricultural Officer of Magallanes, Ms. Emelita P. Bagsit, DOST IV-A Regional Director, Engr. Gilda S. de Jesus, Provincial S&T Director of Cavite, Engr. Francisco R. Barquilla III, DOST IV-A Assistant Regional Director for Technical Operations, Engr. Rodnel O. Tamayo, DOST MIRDC Chief of the Prototyping Division, and Ms. Lyn A. Fernandez, DOST IV-A OIC Assistant Regional Director for Finance and Administrative Services, to show support to the said event.

Dr. de la Peña conducted a tour inside the DOSTRUCK while Dr. Ruel M. Mojica, project leader, together with Ms. Bagsit, presented, explained, and elucidated the main purpose and the overall mechanism of DOSTRUCK's equipment and facilities including the deliverables and impact of the project. Moreover, Dr. Mojica expressed his utmost compliment to Hon. Bautista and the whole members of LGU Magallanes for the overwhelming commitment for the success of the project and the operationalization of the facility.

DOSTRUCK is a deployable food processing hub developed by DOST CALABARZON in partnership with DOST-MIRDC. It is stationed at Brgy. San Agustin, Magallanes, Cavite. Currently, the food hub is being operated by the Tua Coffee Growers' Association as beneficiaries in collaboration with CvSU personnel who facilitate trainings for the local coffee farmers and producers and evaluate operationalization of the facility. The project aims to provide MSMEs, cooperatives, organizations, and associations a food safety-compliant facility that comes with training and capacity-building activities in connection to product development. (Aeron R. Mojica)



Sec. Fortunato T. de la Peña and the Tua Coffee Growers' Association during the visit (left) and (L-R) Engr. Rodnel O. Tamayo, Ms. Emelita P. Bagsit, Sec. Fortunato T. de la Peña, Hon. Jasmin Angeli M. Bautista, Dr. Hernando D. Robles, Dr. Ruel M. Mojica, Engr. Gilda S. De Jesus, and Engr. Freddie D. Sisante during the awarding of certificate (right)



# NCRDEC, ES conduct Skills Training on Coffee Wet Processing

The National Coffee Research, Development and Extension Center (NCRDEC) and Extension Services (ES) successfully conducted a collaborative in-house Skills Training on Coffee Wet Processing Technology for the respective coffee stakeholders of the Coffee Food Value Chain (CFVC) project and Agri-Aqua Technology Business Incubation (ATBI) program on February 7-10. It was held at the Cavite State University (CvSU) FITS Kiosk while the hands-on training was done at the NCRDEC Training Hall.



Dr. Marilyn M. Escobar, resource speaker, during her talk on Coffee Wet Processing Technology

The said activity was organized to inculcate to farmers the know-hows of wet processing and its importance as a value-adding activity to their coffee products. The training was conducted in two batches to effectively accommodate the would-be wet processors from the different coffee organizations in the CALABARZON region while following the IATF guidelines for safe mass gatherings amidst the pandemic.

The first leg of training, which was held on February 7-8, was attended by farmer-members and officers of Bailen Coffee Growers Association (BCGA), Minantok East Coffee Growers Association (MECGA), Canopy Farms from Cavite, Aga Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative (AGFAMCO) as well as Kaylaway Farmers Association (KFA) from Batangas. Meanwhile, the second batch of trainees on February 9-10, was composed of participants from Casile Guinting Upland Marketing Cooperative (CGUMC), Juan Santiago Agriculture Cooperative (JSACoop), Cueva Coffee Farmers Association (CCFA) from Laguna, Samahan ng Magsasaka ng San Andres Bakbak Cuyambay from Tanay, Rizal, Guinayangan Coffee Growers and Farm Entrepreneurs (G-CAFÉ) Inc., as well as Flor and Daisy Agricultural Farms (FDAF) from Quezon.

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# CvSU President approves appointment of OVPRE OIC

Dr. Hernando D. Robles, CvSU president, approved the appointment of Dr. Miriam D. Baltazar as officer-in-charge of the Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension from February 1 to May 31, 2022. This was in line with Dr. Melbourne R. Talactac's, VP for Research and Extension, four-month study leave as a Fulbright Visiting Scholar for the Fulbright Advanced Research and University Lecturing Program at St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, USA. During her appointment, Dr. Baltazar will manage the incoming and outgoing transactions of the office and ensure the continuity of the services that the office provides to its clients and stakeholders.

Dr. Baltazar is the current director of the Research Center and a faculty of the Department of Biological Sciences of the College of Arts and Sciences. She holds a doctoral degree in Genetics and her research interests focus on Molecular Biology and Biotechnology and Plant Genetic Resources Conservation and Management. (Gierone Lianni A. Reyes)



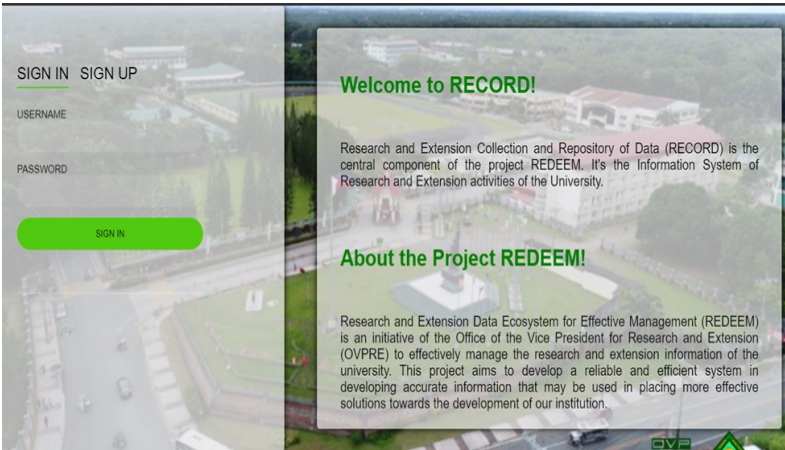
Dr. Miriam D. Baltazar

## OVPRE launches ... (from page 1)

monitor the progress and status of their submissions. Reviewers are also given a no log in - easy access to the Reviewer's Panel that features reviewer's guide which includes a section to download the submitted manuscripts and a section to provide their review. The project began in March 2021 under the supervision of Dr. Melbourne R, Talactac, vice president for Research and Extension.

Meanwhile, the R.E.C.O.R.D. System is an information system of research and extension activities that allows users to access information on the university's expertise, research and development, extension services, presentations and publications, and other relevant information. It is a system under Project REDEEM (Research and Extension Data Ecosystem for Effective Management) that began in 2020 under the supervision of Dr. Ruel M. Mojica and now with the guidance of Dr. Talactac.

The websites can be accessed through [crj.ovpre.com](http://crj.ovpre.com) and [redeem.ovpre.com](http://redeem.ovpre.com). (Gierone Lianni A. Reyes)



The RECORD website



# KMC holds 1<sup>st</sup> unit meeting

*KMC moves forward to a stronger 2022!*

The Knowledge Management Center (KMC) held its 1<sup>st</sup> unit meeting last January 26 via Zoom with Dr. Agnes C. Francisco, KMC director, as the presiding officer. Target for the upcoming year was the main agenda with other matters discussed towards the end of the meeting.



Dr. Agnes C. Francisco with KMC staff during the 1st unit meeting

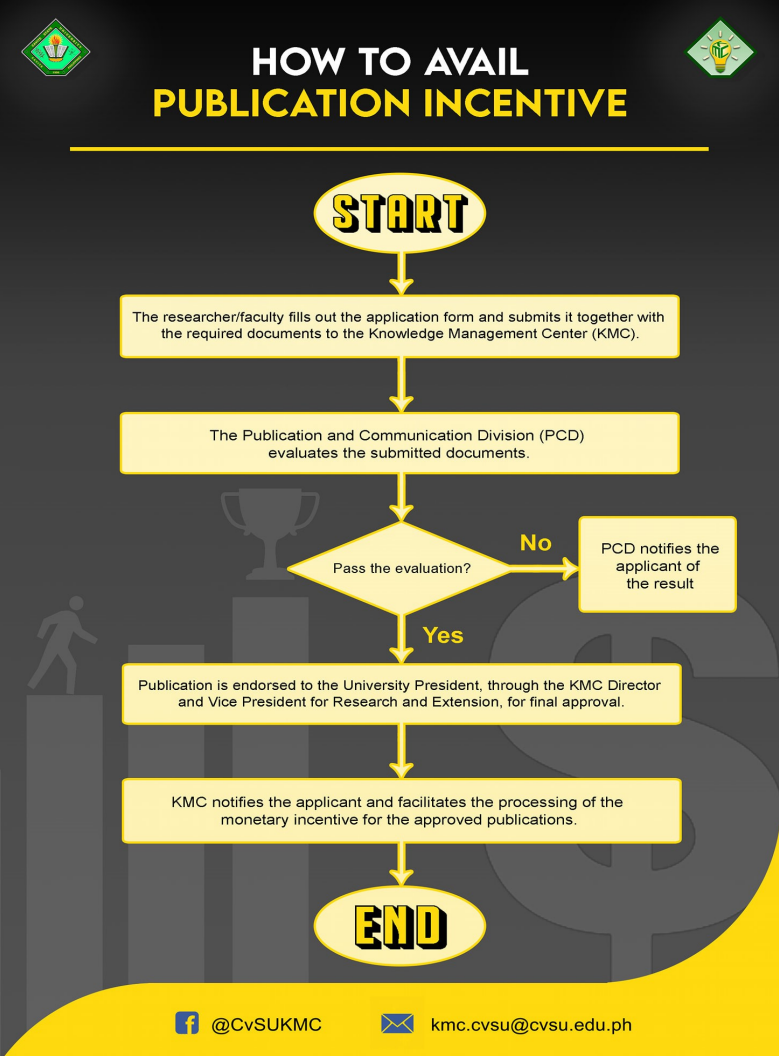
Before laying out the target, Office Performance Commitment and Review (OPCR) for the first half of 2022, existing plans and former accomplishments were reviewed. Discussed were the Cavite State University (CvSU) Strategic Plan for 2021 to 2024, long-term goals and strategies of the unit such as the establishment of discipline-based international peer-reviewed research journals and continuous implementation of BOR-approved IP Policy, Technology Transfer Protocol, and granting of IP Incentives. Also discussed was the KMC Operational Plan 2022 where measurable targets were set for the unit to accomplish in line with the long-term goals discussed in the CvSU Strategic Plan. Lastly, the OPCR for the last half of 2021 was reviewed to look back on what the office had accomplished for the recent year and what could be improved and developed to increase the quality of the service delivered by the unit. The OPCR for January to June of 2022 was then presented to the members of the unit for discussion and improvement. Specific outputs were set with its success indicators to the core, strategic, and other functions of the unit.

Several updates about the ongoing activities and programs of the unit were also presented which include the beta testing of the online hub for CvSU Research Journal as well as the KMC Operations Manual, Technology Transfer Protocol and IP Incentives Guidelines. Reminders about the upcoming deadlines and compliance to the 5S Audit findings were presented last. A photo-opportunity was also done to end the meeting. *(Jacob M. Gomez)*

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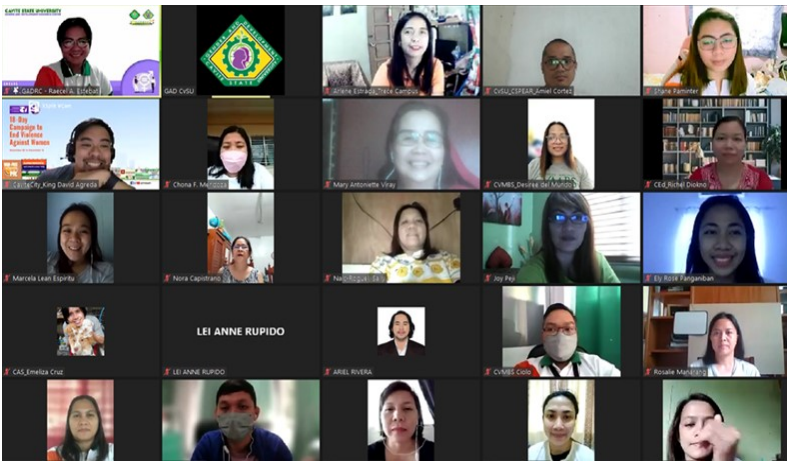


# GADRC holds workshop on preparation of GAD AR

In support to Executive Order No. 273, Magna Carta of Women, and the General Appropriation Act (GAA), Cavite State University Gender and Development Resource Center conducted a workshop on the Preparation of GAD Accomplishment Report last January 6, 2022 via Zoom video conferencing.

Ms. Raecel A. Estebat, officer-in-charge of the Gender and Development Resource Center moderated the workshop on the preparation of the GAD Accomplishment Report, which gathered 26 participants consisting of 22 faculty and 4 non-academic personnel.

Ms. Estebat oriented the participants on the Guidelines for Preparing the GAD Accomplishment Report. She also briefly discussed the definitions of the ten (10) columns included in the GAD Accomplishment Report and presented a sample template for the attendees to visualize the form as she explained each column. Ms. Estebat thoroughly discussed the various columns that needs to be filled out by commenting and giving examples.



Screenshot of the participants of the GADRC workshop

Furthermore, she presented the list of means of verification and highlighted particular remarks linked to them. (Maria Czarina P. Sioco)

## NCRDEC, ES conduct ...

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Serving as resource person was Dr. Marilyn M. Escobar, CvSU vice president for Planning and Development and a coffee wet processing expert. She talked about Coffee Wet Processing Technology during the first and second legs of the training.

Aside from witnessing the steps of coffee wet processing starting from harvesting to drying, the participants also learned about the different coffee processing equipment through a short tour to the University's Coffee Quality and Processing Center done before the end of the two-day activity. (Gizelle D. Crema)



Engr. Gerry M. Castillo, Dr. Almira G. Magcawas, Ms. Lorna C. Matel and Dr. Marilyn M. Escobar with the participants of the Skills Training on Coffee Wet Processing Technology 1<sup>st</sup> batch (left) and 2<sup>nd</sup> batch (right) at CvSU FITS Kiosk



Short tour at Philippine Coffee Quality Center of the 1<sup>st</sup> batch (left) and 2<sup>nd</sup> batch (right) participants



Mr. Rodrigo H. Diloy, NCRDEC Education Program Specialist II, with the participants of the hands-on training on coffee wet processing technology



# SciCAT, CvSU Bee Program collaborate, train 15 in Tanza

Capacitating 15 new trainees in Tanza, Cavite, the CvSU team for the project, “Science for the Convergence of Agriculture and Tourism Phase II (SciCAT II)” collaborated again with the CvSU Bee Program to conduct Stingless Beekeeping Training at Profeta Integrated Farm last February 18.

The said activity was an offshoot of the training conducted at Silan AgriFarm last October 28, 2021. Trainees Mark Profeta and Marlou Profeta, participants, relayed this opportunity to their farm workers and other relatives including Magsasaka Siyentista Marlo Profeta. Mark Profeta, a public school teacher, owns a farm in Tanza which his family calls, “Bukiring Mayumi”. Established in the said farm were five colonies of stingless bees which then served as part of the hands-on training in the afternoon.

Ms. Michele T. Bono and Mr. Dickson N. Dimero served as resource persons for the said activity. They discussed the nature of stingless bees, the techniques in managing colonies, and the economic side of the said technology. They were accompanied and assisted by Ms. Sherine M. Cruzate and Ms. Jamaica Q. Espineli, faculty from the Department of Biological Sciences of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Other participants of both the 2021 and 2022 trainings are expected to establish colonies in their own areas in the coming months. (Lady Aileen A. Orsal)



Dr. Lilibeth P. Novicio, SciCAT project leader, explains the purpose of the training (left) and MS Marlo Profeta while welcoming the participants in their farm (right)




Mr. Dickson N. Dimero and Ms. Michele T. Bono discuss about stingless beekeeping



Participants while listening to the topics presented (left), participants with the speakers and organizers (middle), and establishing of 5 colonies of stingless bees at 'Bukiring Mayumi' (right)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



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- ✓ Presentors during the National/ Southeast Asian Coffee Education Congress (NCEC/ SEACEC)

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# NCRDEC hosts CvSU, Casa Bella MOA signing

The National Coffee Research Development and Extension Center (NCRDEC) hosted the ceremonial signing of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Cavite State University and Casa-Bella Tagaytay Fruits and Vegetables Farm held at CvSU International Convention Center (ICON) last February 10. The MOA signing was initiated to formally bind the partnership between the said parties for the implementation of the newly approved project titled, “Establishment of Off-Campus Integrated Diversified Farming System (IDFS) Demonstration, Production and Experimental Areas” funded by the Department of Science and Technology – Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (DOST-PCAARRD).

The project aimed to convert the newly established Casa-Bella Tagaytay Fruits and Vegetables Farm in Tagaytay City into an off-campus integrated diversified farming system (IDFS) demonstration, production, and experimental areas of CvSU. The farm will be transformed into a learning site for Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and other agri-related students of CvSU and other universities, and a farm-tourism site that can accommodate several agriculture enthusiasts and various visitors from the region. The project will then bring social and economic impact such as the



CvSU Officials together with Casa Bella farm owners and DOST Secretary Fortunato de la Peña and team

creation of employment opportunities and an increase in the volume of production of agricultural products.

Present in the activity were Hon. Fortunato T. de la Peña, DOST secretary, Dr. Hernando D. Robles, CvSU president, Engr. Gerry M. Castillo, NCRDEC director, Mr. Rodrigo H. Diloy, IDFS project leader, Atty. Billie Sue Go-Lim and Mr. Antonio S. Adriano, manager and president of Casa-Bella Farm, respectively. Also in attendance were Ms. Yolanda M. Tanyag, Senior Science Specialist, Technology Transfer and Promotions Division of DOST-PCAARRD; Engr. Gilda S. De Jesus, DOST provincial director, Dr. Maria Soledad M. Lising, International and Local Collaborations and Linkages Office director, Prof. Adora Joy T. Plete, Public Affairs and Communications Office director, and Ms. Lorna C. Matel, Extension Services - Community Engagement and External Relations Division head. *(Marjorie Ann B. Panerio)*

## GADRC conducts Refresher Training Workshop on MOVE KATROPA

In support to ending gender-based violence, the Gender and Development Resource Center (GADRC) conducted a refresher training workshop on Men Opposed to Violence Against Women Everywhere (MOVE) and Kalalakihang Tapat sa Responsibilidad at Obligasyon sa Pamilya (KATROPA) last February 8-10 via Zoom video conferencing to revitalize the commitments of the GAD champions. The activity drew over 113 people from different colleges, satellite campuses, and units of Cavite State University.

On behalf of Dr. Hernando D. Robles, university president, Dr. Ma. Agnes P. Nuestro, vice president for Academic Affairs, welcomed and reminded the participants on their respective roles and responsibilities as officers and trainers of MOVE KATROPA. Moreover, she told the participants that she expects them to increase their standards and attain greatness.

On the first day, Mr. Ronaldo A. Amora, Social Welfare Officer II of the Department of Social and Welfare Development (DSWD) Field Office IV-A, shared the current Violence Against Women (VAW) situation and discussed DSWD's objectives and programs. Mr. Amora encouraged men to become partners with women and work together to establish safe communities for all and mentioned how power is ingrained in social ties. Moreover, he elaborated on what gives someone power and who has power in the community, and ended with a remark from Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon, who stated that VAW is never acceptable, never excusable, and never tolerable.

Mr. Amora highlighted patriarchal ideology, masculinity and sexual potency, the journey of becoming a man, patriarchy, and the change of the Filipino male. He underlined that patriarchy is a system in which both men and women participate. Likewise, he emphasized that males are victims of Gender-Based Violence and reinforced this point with images and videos.

On the second day, Mr. King David J. Agreda, president of CvSU MOVE KATROPA and GAD coordinator of Cavite City Campus, gave the recap of day 1 activity. He provided a clear opportunity for the participants to examine their hearts as GAD advocates and to ceaselessly ensure that equity and violence-free communities will prevail. He emphasized that Gender-Based Violence is a societal cancer that is more widespread than the emerging coronavirus known as COVID-19 and has a greater impact on women and girls than on men and boys. He assured everyone that the organization will continue to encourage male involvement in the advocacy aimed at ending violence against women and emphasizing a larger and stronger movement for gender equality and social justice.

Mr. Ricky A. Bunao, officer-in-charge, Assistant Regional Director for Administration of DSWD Field Office IV-A, discussed men as fathers and their engagement in parenting, parenting objectives, parenting skills, parental duties, and the ways on how to strengthen their relationship with their child. He also presented different parenting styles and the responsibility of males in reducing gender-based violence and criminality. Furthermore, he

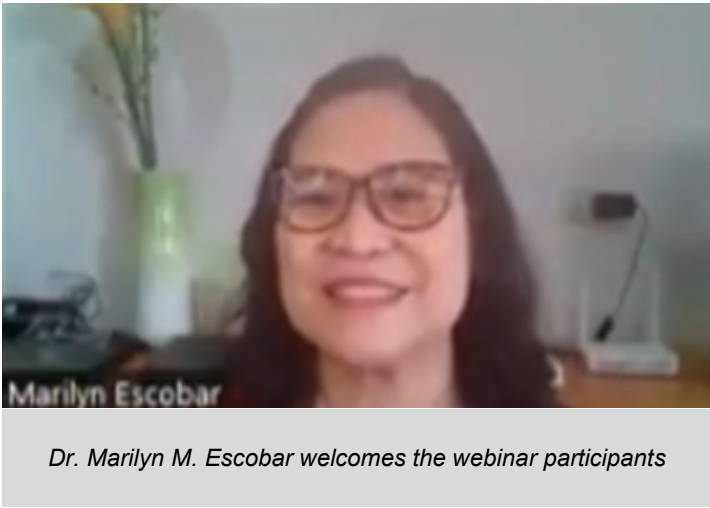
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# GADRC conducts My Pulpol Love: A Webinar on Unintended Pregnancy

The CvSU Gender and Development Resource Center (GADRC) conducted a webinar titled, "My Pulpol Love: A Webinar on Unintended Pregnancy" last February 24 via Zoom video conferencing and streamed on Facebook live. The activity aimed to spread awareness on unintended pregnancies, correct the knowledge about puberty, reproduction, relationship, sexuality, the risks of unsafe sex and how to avoid such diseases like HIV, STIs, and develop ability and confidence to deal with peer pressure and develop healthy and mutually beneficial partnerships.

On behalf of Dr. Hernando D. Robles, university president, Dr. Marilyn M. Escobar, vice president for Planning and Development, welcomed the participants. Dr. Escobar presented the objectives of the activity and gave appreciation to the organizers as well as to the speakers of the activity. *(continue on page 11)*



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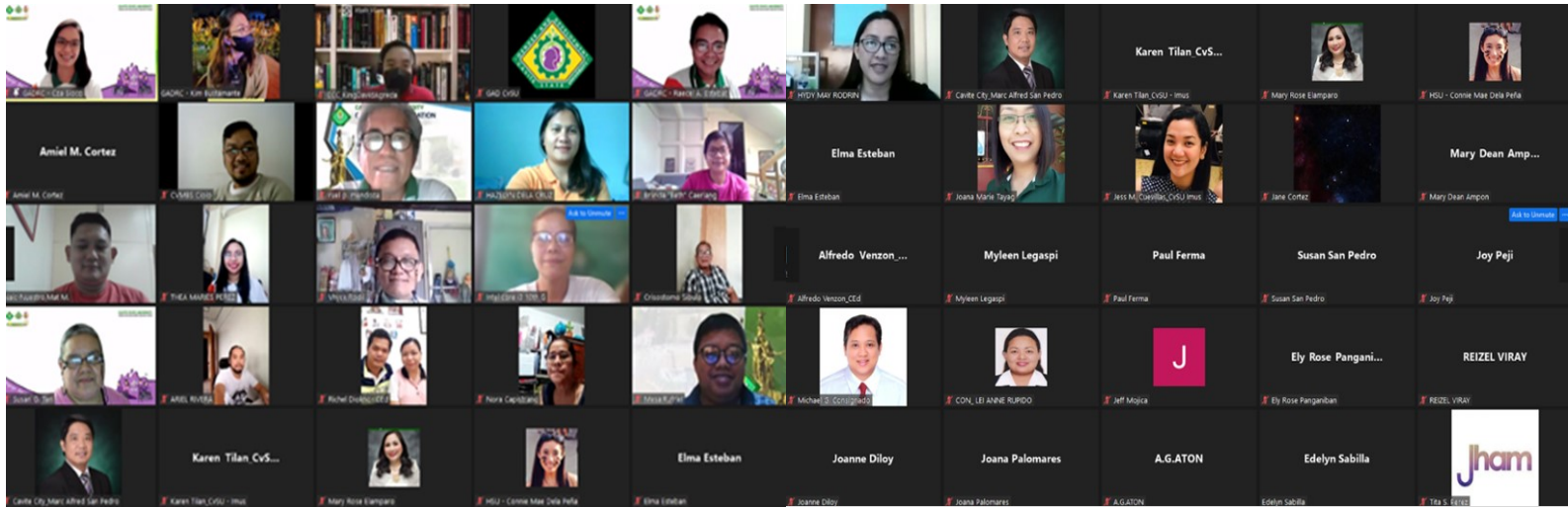
said that violence may be reduced if men serve as positive role models for other men and their children, take on leadership responsibilities, and engage in local community activities that promote awareness and support for the eradication of VAWC. Mr. Bunao underlined that fathers are the greatest source of strength for a kid. He recalled General Colin Powell who said, "Behind a great individual, we frequently discover the legacy of a loving parent." *The purpose of fatherhood is to light a fire in the lives of his children.* Moreover, he shared the history of MOVE, KATROPA, and Empowerment and Reaffirmation of Paternal Abilities (ERPAT).

On the third day, Mr. Ariel R. Rivera, Secretary of KATROPA and GAD coordinator of CvSU Naic Campus, gave the recap of day 2 activity. He shared the knowledge he gathered from the second session such as the lecture about men which increased his understanding on ERPAT; the duties of fathers, men's obligations and good parenting; how fathers develop gender sensitivity, appreciation, and partnership with their spouses as well as promoting and enhancing family life by enhancing and strengthening a positive satisfying marital partnership; preventing domestic violence, promoting shared parenthood, and planning family size; establishing a network among fathers in the community; increasing fathers' active participation and involvement such as becoming aware of their

role, promoting and understanding different forms of violence against women and children as well as other forms of gender-based violence.

Meanwhile, Mr. Harold M. David, Information Officer II of the Commission on Population and Development CALABARZON, spoke about sexuality which is a vital component of who men are. He mentioned that sexuality allows men to have a more responsible connection by deepening recognition and acceptance of their existence. He also highlighted a healthy lifestyle for men by avoiding vices such as cigarettes and alcohol, as well as stress and tension. Likewise, he shared that beautification of marriage or partnership is the secret to a long-lasting relationship, the importance of man caring for his spouse or partner for a healthy pregnancy which is an important guarantee to rescue women from the mortality that comes with childbirth. Furthermore, he discussed man's role as a decent father. He talked about family planning, the capacity to prepare ahead of time and have the desired number of children spaced correctly, listed the advantages of family planning and its many methods. Lastly, he reiterated how KATROPA can be promoted.

On behalf of Dr. Rezin C. Bahia, dean of the Graduate School and Open Learning College, Ms. Raecel A. Estebat, officer-in-charge of GADRC, delivered the closing remarks and thanked the participants. *(Maria Czarina P. Sioco)*



Screenshot of the participants during the training workshop



## Buena talks at ESSU virtual webinar

Dr. Maria Corazon A. Buena, chair of the Department of Management and graduate program coordinator of the College of Economics, Management and Development Studies (CEMDS), was invited as resource person in the webinar titled, “Simple Digital Marketing for MSMEs” during the Poverty Alleviation through Business Integration Development Activities (PABIDA) Extension Program organized by the College of Business Management and Accountancy of Eastern Samar State University (ESSU) - Guiuan Campus last February 11 via Zoom video conferencing.



The webinar primarily focused on training Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) to keep up with the demands of the pandemic and aimed to acquaint the participants to avail of the advantages of social media in promoting products and services. Its primary target were the owners of MSMEs in Guiuan, Eastern Samar which is considered by NEDA in 2017 as a small island tourism zone with its surf and religious/pilgrimage tourism as part of the Region's tourism development area (NEDA, 2020).

Dr. Buena discussed the introduction of digital marketing highlighting the most effective digital marketing channels for B2B Marketing and B2C Marketing. A certificate of appreciation was awarded after the presentation and open forum.

The event was participated in by faculty members and students of ESSU and owners of MSMEs in Eastern Samar. (Mary Grace A. Ilagan)



## CEd holds Research Forum 2022

Despite the current academic disruptions, the College of Education (CEd) held its College Research Forum 2022 last January 6 via Cisco Webex. With the theme, “The Role of Research in Overcoming Challenges in the Post Pandemic World”, the activity aimed to showcase 10 completed faculty and 11 student researches from the college, and enhance their research capability.

Dr. Ammie P. Ferrer, college dean, delivered the welcome remarks while Dr. Ma. Agnes P. Nuestro, vice president for Academic Affairs, gave an inspirational message. Dr. Pia Rhoda P. Lucero, chair, Home Economics, Vocational, and Technical Education Department (HEVTED), introduced Dr. Cecilia B.

Banaag, who served as the resource speaker. Dr. Banaag is a professorial lecturer at the Cavite State University (CvSU) Graduate School & Open Learning College and CEd-Graduate Studies, De La Salle University (DLSU) Dasmariñas, Cavite and was the former dean of CvSU-CEd.

Dr. Jake Raymund F. Fabregar, college research coordinator, discussed the overview of the activity and mechanics of the presentation. Meanwhile, Ms. Maria Jovylyn M. Tan, forum moderator, introduced the paper evaluators. The evaluators in the student research category were Dr. Liza C. Costa, Dr. Jovan B. Alitagtag, and Dr. Rhodora S. Crizaldo; while the evaluators in the completed CvSU Research Grant (continue on page 11)





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Mr. Ruel P. Mendoza, faculty of the College of Education and CvSU MOVE KATROPA trainer, talked on attraction, dating and courtship, and online courtship. He addressed the four stages of a dating relationship and revealed the traditional Filipino courting as well as the modern courtship of online dating. Moreover, he also presented the differences between courting and dating.

Meanwhile, Mr. King David J. Agreda, president of CvSU MOVE KATROPA and faculty and GAD coordinator of Cavite City Campus, talked on relationship boundaries. He emphasized the importance of making the proper decision not only for oneself, but also for one's future and families. He highlighted that healthy relationships have at least five things in common which is based on the word "share". Likewise, he discussed the funnels of commitment and intimacy, boundaries and consents of sexuality, the ABC of sexuality, and relationship and sexual activity.

Moreover, Ms. Hazelyn H. Dela Cruz, faculty and GAD coordinator of Silang Campus, discussed the many forms of romantic relationships. She went on to explain why it is crucial to have a good relationship and what it entails. She also discussed

what constitutes an unhealthy relationship and the danger signs to watch for, and emphasized how one can protect himself/herself from unhealthy relationships.

Lastly, the couple Mr. Raymon Carlo A. Orsal and Ms. Lady Aileen A. Orsal, both faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, talked about engagement and wedding. Ms. Orsal discussed the existing marital status in the Philippines and highlighted the factors that affect dissolution of marriage. Also, she emphasized the concept of marriage. Meanwhile, Mr. Orsal discussed engagement. He mentioned that everyone wants to fall in love and does not want that love to turn into "pulpol" love, that is why a person needs to be the "right one" first before meeting the "right other half". He added that marriage is about readiness and certainty, emphasized the symbols in a wedding, and ended the discussion by saying that while some couples do divorce, there is nothing to worry about. *"There are factors that affect the relationship, but it is up to the couples to determine how they will keep the love alive. That is why proper marital concepts and preparation are essential,"* Mr. Orsal said.

After some discussions during the question and answer, Dr. Evelyn M. Del Mundo, dean of the College of Nursing, made the

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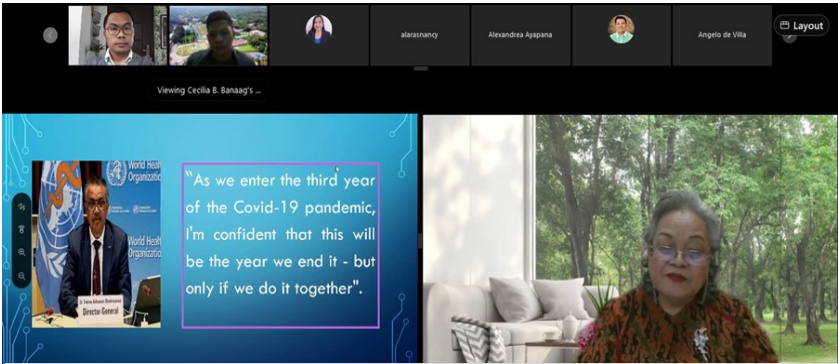
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(CRG)-funded research category were Dr. Agnes C. Francisco, Dr. Isaias A. Banaag, and Dr. Miriam D. Baltazar.

Awarding of the best research papers commenced after the presentation of all researches. For the student research category, the paper titled, "The Use of Hypermedia-Based Interactive Slide Presentation in Teaching Science for Asynchronous Class by Ms. Rica V. Alano, Mr. Sean Rafael P. Estrellado, Ms. Leonizza F. Novicio, Mr. Christian Joy T. Paña, and Ms. Reena Jane S. Pareja got first place. Meanwhile, second place was given to Mr. Mark Anthony E. De Ocampo, Mr. Nikko Bryan B. Delamata, Ms. Jaila Cemir C. Janohan, Ms. Loudeniell P. Lopez, Ms. Rocheille Nepomuceno, and Ms. Kaith Lhynne P. Romero for their paper titled, "The Lived Experiences of STEM Students in Studying Science Subjects in the New Normal of Education."

For the completed CRG-funded research category, first place was awarded to Dr. Rhodora P. Suarez-Crizaldo, Dr. Jovan B. Alitagtag, and Dr. Jake Raymund F. Fabregar for their paper titled, "Internationalization Capabilities of Cavite State University". Second place was given to Ms. Paulynn Jayziell S. Buhay, Ms. Lyneth B. Perez, and Ms. Mary Grace M. Tibayan for their paper titled, "Characterization and Employability of HEVTEd Graduates". Lastly, third place was awarded to Dr. Jake Raymund F. Fabregar, Dr. Jovan B. Alitagtag, and Dr. Ammie P. Ferrer for their paper titled, "Tracer Study of PhD in Education Graduates of CvSU- Graduate School and Open Learning College from 2018 to 2020."

The forum ended with the closing remarks given by Dr. Florencio R. Abanes, chair, Teacher Education Department (TED). (Jovan B. Alitagtag)



Dr. Cecilia B. Banaag during her talk



Screenshot of some participants





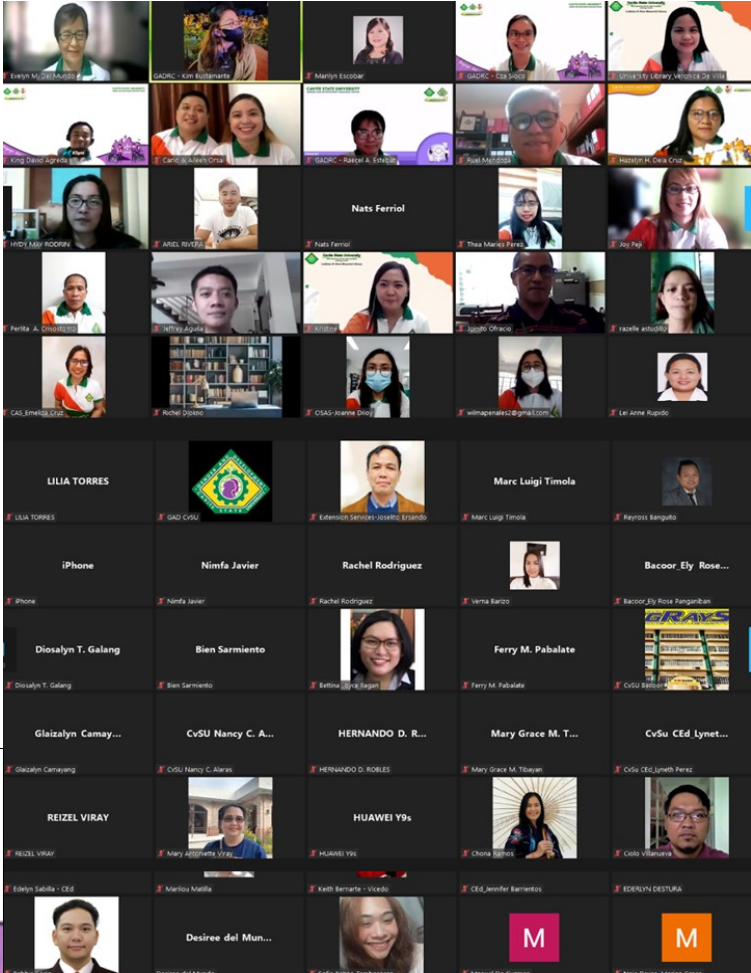
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closing remarks. She commented on the relevant issues that piqued her attention and provided a quick overview of the many topics discussed by the speakers. She emphasized that young people should be patient when entering into a relationship because it is the start of a lifetime commitment. Relationship boundaries are always essential. *“Boundaries are for you and about you. Identifying and analyzing the danger signs of an unhealthy relationship. One of the most significant lessons is to pray for compatibility. Engagement is essential in the formation of a family. When it comes to getting married, open and effective communication is required. It had been a wonderful day full of learnings and awareness in life,”* Dr. del Mundo concluded.

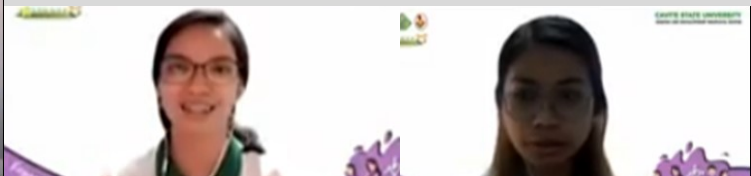
Ms. Kimberly A. Bustamante, GADRC secretariat, discussed the house rules, objectives, and program flow of the webinar while Ms. Maria Czarina P. Sioco, in-charge for Data Banking and Publication, served as the moderator. The activity drew over 90 participants in Zoom and hundreds of viewers on Facebook live. (Maria Czarina P. Sioco)



Resource speakers during the webinar



Resource speakers, organizers and some of the participants



Moderator, Ms. Maria Czarina P. Sioco (left) and Ms. Kimberly A. Bustamante (right) while discussing the house rules



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