

## SDO-Camarines Norte and LGU-Panganiban creates additional Integrated Schools

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SDO-Camarines Norte forged a Memorandum of Agreement with LGU Panganiban last 25 January 2023 relative to what will be the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Integrated Schools to be created in the province of Camarines Norte under the leadership of SDS Nympha D. Guemo.

Said MOA signing was graced by Honorable Ariel M. Non, Mayor of Jose Panganiban, Schools Division Superintendent Nympha D. Guemo, Robinson Frilles, Nanet S. Sara, principals of Dahican Elementary School, and Regino A. Yet Elementary School, respectively, Engr. Julie Fe B. Pato, and Atty. Kimberly A. Israel.

Considering that education is an agent to alleviate, if not, eradicate poverty, by providing easy-access education to the locality, the said agreement is hoped to break the inter-generational cycle of poverty in the municipality in the long run and for its short-run benefits, the agreement is seen to generate additional jobs for the community, thus, LGU- Panganiban allots ₱2,000,000.00 initial budget for the structure of the envisioned Integrated Schools.

## Division Technical Assistance providers strengthen their knowledge of Technical Assistance Framework and Mechanism

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Division TA providers underwent 2-day Division training on Technical Assistance Framework and Mechanism on February 2-3, 2023 at SDO Conference Hall wherein said training aimed to capacitate Division TA providers with KSA in providing technical assistance to the field and equip them with validation process skills. The said activity was participated by the 3 functional divisions specifically OSDS with 11 participants, CID with 26 participants, and SGOD with 13 participants.

The Division Office invited resource speakers from the Regional Field Technical Assistance Division (RFTAD) namely Evangeline A. Saculo – Chief, FTAD, who clearly discussed the Technical Assistance Process Framework and Technical Assistance Mechanism and School-Based Management Updates, while Teresa T. Buasan, SEPS-M&E, introduced the Technical Assistance Mechanism Agenda (TAMA) along with the different forms to be accomplished before conducting monitoring and evaluation and Joy C. Chavez, EPS, gave techniques on Enhancing Appropriate Behavioral Skills for Providing Technical Assistance.

They also gave emphasis on the goal of FTAD to strengthen the schools' divisions in managing the respective schools leading to the achievement of their performance outcomes with the end in view of providing relevant, timely, and appropriate technical assistance to schools' divisions through the coordination of all the units.

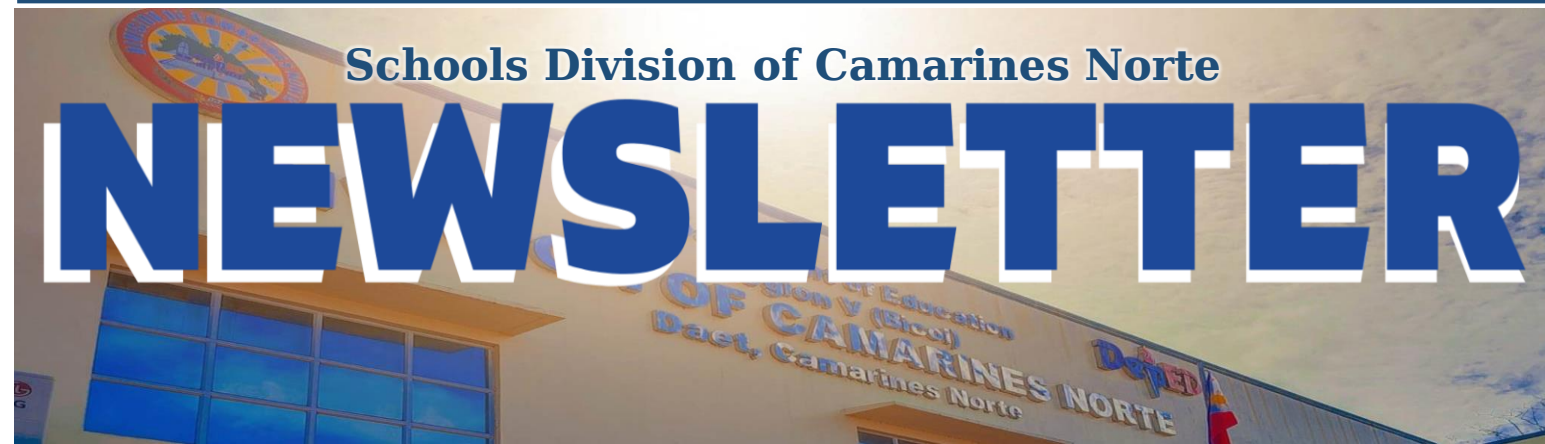
Other resource speakers provided inputs on the different topics focusing on Technical Assistance and Monitoring and Evaluation processes through a workshop to have a clear understanding of the methods of giving technical assistance which was then presented by the participants and resulted in the giving of feedback by the resource speakers which brought insights and exchanges of ideas about giving technical assistance and its importance in managing respective schools leading to the achievement of their performance outcomes.

In the closing part, SDS Nympha D. Guemo clarified issues and concerns concerning technical assistance to have a common understanding and goal to realize the target of the organization and in understanding the situation of the division, their needs, aspirations, plans, strengths, and weaknesses.

Said activity was initiated by ASDS Maria Flora T. Pandes as the lead proponent with the assistance of the technical working group.



**COLLABORATION.** The speakers and participants of the 2-Day Division Training on Technical Assistance Framework and Mechanism came together to exchange knowledge and best practices, paving the way for more effective technical assistance in the future.



## SDO Camarines Norte SERVES with a HEART (Humility, Equability, Agility, Resiliency and Trust)

## SDO Camarines Norte researchers reap international recognition

By: Noel V. Ibis, EPS

Exemplary performance and the burning passion of the researchers and coaches from the STE implementing schools namely Basud National High School and Vinzons Pilot High School proved that curiosity, analytical ability, determination, collaboration, and communication are among the best traits of researchers after winning the STEM Fair and Expo 2023 held on March 10, 2023, at Pullman Bangkok King Power Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand.

STEM Project Competition is a flagship program of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Regional Centre for STEM Education (SEAMEO STEM-ED) designed to help and improve the problem-solving skills of youth by employing STEM-integrated knowledge.

Over 400 research works from ten (10) ASEAN member nations were screened, and thirty (30) projects were declared winners focusing on three categories, namely, (1) everyday life challenges, (2) industry challenges, and (3) community & school challenges, whose findings were presented to policymakers, researchers, and ministers during the said activity.

With over 400 applicants received during the application acceptance period (October 1, 2022 - January 31, 2023), SEAMEO STEM-ED and STEM Project Competition Judging Committee assured that all applicants were carefully reviewed with the utmost ethical practice.

Three (3) projects of the five (5) winners from the Philippines came from the Schools Division Office of Camarines Norte particularly from Basud National High School and Vinzons Pilot High School as shown on the next page.

Sincerest words of gratitude are given to: Congresswoman Rosemarie Panotes, Governor Ricarte Padilla, Vice Governor Joseph Ascutia, Mayor Dr. Eleanor F. Segundo, Mayor Adrian Davoco, Vice-Mayor: Agnes Diezmo Ang, LGU of



**TRIUMPH.** Camarines Norte Researchers from Basud National High School and Vinzons Pilot High School celebrate their triumph after being awarded for their exceptional performance during the SEAMEO STEM Project Competitions in Thailand.

Basud, Vinzons, Talisay, and Paracale, and to all stakeholders and friends of DepEd for the financial/moral support extended to the research enthusiasts and aficionados of SDO Camarines Norte.

With the PROJECT SERVE with a HEART of SDS Nympha D. Guemo, education leaders will continue to commit in providing relevant programs, projects, and activities responsive to the four strategic directions of the MATATAG DepEd New Agenda.

SDO Camarines Norte shall continue to nurture everyone to leverage the academic achievement of the learners thru scientific engagement and research.

Congratulations to the research teams!

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## SDO Camarines Norte researchers .....

| Team/Researchers/Coaches                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | School/Title of the Research Project                                                                                                                                 | Public Schools District Supervisors/School Heads/Department Heads               |
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| <b>Team Lupa</b><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>James Cedrick F. Zamudio</li> <li>James Alfred Z. Flores</li> <li>Lloyd Archie S. Acero</li> <li>James Carlo T. Ilan</li> </ul> <b>Isagani F. Musa</b>                                                                             | <b>Basud National High School</b><br>Solar-Powered SMART Arduino-based Aquaponics System                                                                             | Milagros S. Tindoy<br>Jiji Maricel A. Lacson<br>Lucena Chavez                   |
| <b>Team A2Y</b><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marinel F. Bayani</li> <li>Danielle Faith B. Elias</li> <li>Bruce Jairus P. Guadines</li> <li>Ralph Paul Chaezar A. Ablaneda</li> </ul> <b>Isagani F. Musa</b>                                                                      | <b>Basud National High School</b><br>Autonomous Raspberry Pi-based Voice and Pulse Oximeter-Activated Kidnapping Device with GPS Infrared Camera Surveillance System | Milagros S. Tindoy<br>Jiji Maricel A. Lacson                                    |
| <b>Team Barix</b><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christine Rayne Pimentel</li> <li>Czyrenel Calayan</li> <li>Nerwin Karl Raro</li> <li>Alexson Delos Angeles</li> <li>Zenith Christen Balon</li> <li>Lyka Magana</li> <li>Jason N. Bargo</li> </ul> <b>Sarah Kimberly Lamadrid</b> | <b>Vinzons Pilot High School</b><br>Advanced Distillation with Filtration Method on NIPA (Nypa Fruticans) Wine-Making                                                | Nilo G. Odi<br>Teresita A. Orendain<br>Elizabeth N. Macale<br>Ruben H. Tanierla |

## SDO Cam Norte launches Induction Program for School Heads

Glenda N. Rito, PSDS

Eighty-nine newly promoted and designated School Heads for elementary and secondary schools of the Schools Division of Camarines Norte attended the three-day School Head Induction Program (SHIP) last March 1 – 3, 2023 at SDO Conference Hall.

Spearheaded by the Human Resource and Development Section of the Schools Governance and Operations Division (SGOD), the program aimed to enable newly promoted/designated school heads from CY 2020-2023 to demonstrate their authority, responsibility, and accountability; empower them to identify various measures to improve the condition of the schools and the learners in general; and to hearten them to display professional commitment and leadership in the management of school through creating a harmonious relationship between the school and community.

Republic Act 9155, Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards, School Safety and Preparedness/Mitigation and Resiliency, Financial Management, Procurement, Performance Management System, Spiritual Enhancement, and Professional Development were some of the topics discussed by competent speakers from the division office while other topics shared to the participants also include monitoring and evaluation as well as mobilization, networking and linkages, and community engagement.



**LEADERSHIP.** Newly promoted School Heads and Principals took their oath of commitment before Schools Division Superintendent Nympha D. Guemo during the School Head Induction Program of SDO Camarines Norte, signaling the start of their journey towards leadership excellence in education.

With SDS Nympha D. Guemo, as one of the speakers, reiterating the duties and responsibilities of a school head, the participants renewed their pledge of commitment as school heads/principals serving their clientele and constituent with a heart, hence, they returned to their respective stations with hearts and minds full of learning that will help them in serving their flock, and as captain of their respective ships, they were relaunched with renewed commitment, vigor and hope for the betterment of the learners.

## Brigada Eskwela 2022 Best Implementing Schools garner SDO Camarines Norte Recognition

Atty. Niño B. Raro, SGOD Chief

The truism that exemplifies volunteerism is shown in the recently conducted Search for Brigada Eskwela 2022 Best Implementing Schools, focused on the promotion of collaboration and resiliency in Basic Education.

Pursuant to the DepEd Memorandum No. 062, s.2022, SDO Camarines Norte launched its **2022 BRIGADA ESKWELA DIVISION KICK-OFF** last August 11, 2022 in hybrid method and was live streamed via fb at DepEd Camarines Norte page while the in-person ceremony was conducted at San Francisco NHS, Talisay, Camarines Norte.

Prior to the Kick-Off ceremony, 2022 Brigada Eskwela Advocacy Campaign video contest has been conducted to encourage schools to showcase the talents of their learners and teachers in coming up with a campaign video to be used in marketing and advocacy activities while series of Virtual Coordinators' coordination meetings were conducted and dubbed as e-CoM to assist Coordinators in the implementation of Brigada Eskwela as well as Brigada Pagbasa.

The report on resources generated revealed SDO-Camarines Norte had accumulated ₱429,375,482.18 equivalent to ₱2,617.25 per learner value based on the total number of enrolments of 164,056 learners of the Division.

As a result of forging strong parentship with LGUs, SDO Camarines Norte is assured of a continuous annual support from the seven (7) Municipalities by way of enactment of Municipal Ordinance providing financial support to Brigada Eskwela and five (5) Municipalities passed Resolution for the same purpose and raised ₱1,635,000.00 from among the Local Government Units.

Best Implementing Schools were categorized into (small, medium, large, mega) category and after thorough evaluation by the Division Evaluation and Validation Committee, results were announced in a Division Bulletin No. 010, series 2023 and as follows: For Small Category; 1<sup>st</sup> Balce ES and Caringo HS; 2<sup>nd</sup> Macolabo ES and Maximo Manarang HS; 3<sup>rd</sup> Melquiades Caldit ES and San Isidro Alcantara HS. For Medium Category, 1<sup>st</sup> Fundado ES and Fabrica HS; 2<sup>nd</sup> San Isidro ES (Talisay) and Eugenia M. Quintela MHS; 3<sup>rd</sup> Pandan ES and Gawad Kalinga HS. For Large Category, 1<sup>st</sup> F. Baldovino ES and San Francisco NHS; 2<sup>nd</sup> Parang ES and Talobatib NHS; 3<sup>rd</sup> Capalonga CS and Mercedes HS. For Mega Category 1<sup>st</sup> Labo ES and Paracale NHS; 2<sup>nd</sup> Jose Panganiban ES and Basud NHS; 3<sup>rd</sup> Vinzons Pilot ES and Vinzons Pilot HS.

Aside from the usual preparation on physical aspect, different projects for Struggling Learners have been initiated and one of which is the Volunteers Capacitation Kiosk, to capacitate our BP Volunteers; use of Gadgets powered by solar energy for pupils in remote areas; Bahay-Aralan/Sulok-Aralan-converting a portion of student's house into a classroom; others called it Aralan sa Tahanan.

Brigada Eskwela 2022 implementation was made possible through the help of our major partners like Food for the Hungry Philippines, REBISCO (Republic Biscuit Corporation), One MERALCO Foundation, Nestle Philippines, ABC+, Commodore Jose S. Francisco Foundation Inc. (AHA Learning Center), Municipal and Barangay LGUs and other education partners.



**ONE GOAL, ONE COMMUNITY.** The successful implementation of Brigada Eskwela in SDO Camarines Norte is a testament to the power of community as many stakeholders came together to lend a hand in preparing schools for the upcoming school year.