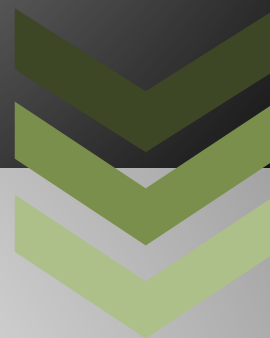




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*Enhancing the capabilities of FPA
on cash management*

The Commission on Audit (COA) conducted an exclusive seminar on "Cash Management and Control System (CMCS)" for the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority in the FPA Central Office, Quezon City. The seminar, which was attended by FPA personnel from the Central, Regional and Provincial Offices, aimed to strengthen understanding and application of knowledge on 1) accountability and responsibility over government funds, 2) receipts and collections and 3) expenditures and disbursements.

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*Enhancing the capabilities of FPA
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The COA CMCS Seminar was conducted in two batches, separating Luzon Regional Offices from the Visayas-Mindanao Regional Offices, in order to create a more conducive learning experience for every participant. A series of workshops and group dynamics were facilitated to assess the depth of learning and application of principles.

OCTOBER 3-5, 2017

Gearing towards an ISO-certified FPA



In order to become a continually-improving, stakeholder satisfaction-driven government agency, the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority has organized an ISO 9001:2015 Awareness Seminar through the leadership of the FPA-Quality Management System Committee in technical partnership with the QConsult Incorporated. Attended by technical staff from Central Office Divisions, the seminar tackled important matters on ISO essentials, its principles and clauses, the Plan-Do-Check-Act Cycle, and ISO certification requirements.

OCTOBER 10, 2017



*Campaigning for safe
and judicious use of farm
inputs*



The FPA-Regional Office 4 headed by Regional Officer Ms. Leticia Hernandez organized a Farmers' Training on Safe and Judicious Use of Fertilizer and Pesticide Products with Bayer CropScience and the LGU-Agriculture Office in Oriental Mindoro. This is in line with the fulfilment of the FPA's mandate to educate the agriculture sector on the risks and disadvantages of misusing these products.

OCTOBER 10, 2017



Auditing of licensing activities in the field

The Fertilizer Regulations Division led by Division Chief Ms. Julieta Lansangan together with Supervising Agriculturist Ms. Rowena Reyes has conducted an audit of licensing processes and activities in FPA-Regional Office 7 led by Regional Officer Mr. Arnulfo Arausa. This activity aimed to monitor and validate if the licensing processes being done in the Field Units are aligned with that of the Central Office.

OCTOBER 10, 2017



Strengthening collaboration with stakeholders and other partners



The FPA-Regional Office 7 led by Regional Officer Mr. Arnulfo Arausa together with Deputy Executive Director for Pesticide Mr. Eric C. Divinagracia organized a stakeholders' meeting in Cebu City to strengthen FPA-industry collaboration and to discuss important matters and updates on FPA mandates, initiatives and policies.

OCTOBER 10, 2017

*Enforcing the law and
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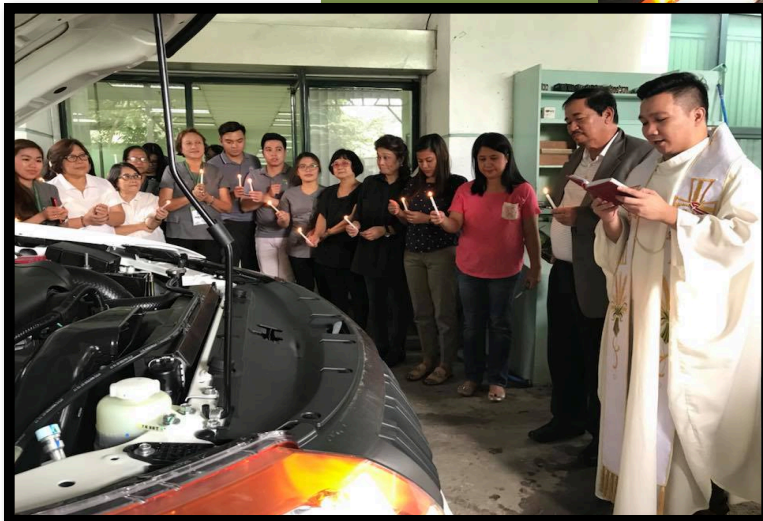


The FPA-Regional Office 9 headed by Regional Officer Mr. Alex Paalisbo together with Ms. Suzettie Alcaide, National Coordinator for Field Units and Ms. Jane Apostol and Ms. Elizabeth Perlado of the Fertilizer Regulations Division conducted an inspection activity of warehouses in Zamboanga del Norte as part of the monitoring and enforcement activities of the FPA in the field.

OCTOBER 11, 2017

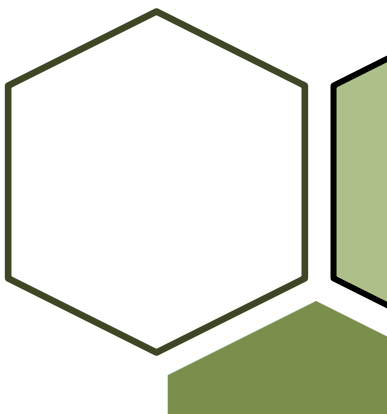


Additional vehicles of FPA for improved services



Graced by Mount Carmel Parish Church, the FPA held a ceremonial blessing of the newly-acquired vehicles approved by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) which were requested to improve the services of the FPA especially in the monitoring and enforcement activities of the Field Units.

OCTOBER 11, 2017



*Campaigning for safe
pesticide application and
handling in plantations*

The FPA-Regional Office 12 headed by Regional Officer Ms. Alita Bornea conducted an information and education campaign on chemical handling and safety equipment (CHASE) for plantation pesticide applicators and handlers in Katiku, Sultan Kudarat. This is to ensure that the industry manpower in plantations are equipped with knowledge and skills on safe use and handling of pesticide products.

OCTOBER 13 and 25, 2017



*Enforcing the law and
fulfilling the mandates
in the field*



The FPA-Regional Office 3 led by Regional Officer Mr. Antonio Cruz, Jr. organized a seminar on Product Stewardship Program (PSP) and a symposium for mango contractors in collaboration with JT Bio Inno Solutions, Inc. and Leads Agri in Zambales. The PSP is a program required from the industry stakeholders which ensures that products are utilized, handled, applied and disposed safely and judiciously by users and farmers.

OCTOBER 17, 2017

*Boosting the knowledge
and skills of the industry
manpower*



The FPA-Regional Office 1 headed by Regional Officer Mr. Balao Vicente, Jr. conducted a training on Accredited Safety Dispenser of Fertilizer and Pesticide (ASD), which aimed to educate stakeholders on the Presidential Decree 1144; general fertilizer and pesticide information; handling and storage; transport and distribution; poisoning and first aid; and other related topics on the regulation of fertilizer and pesticide.

OCTOBER 17, 2017



*Boosting the knowledge
and skills of the industry
manpower*



The FPA-Regional Office 8 led by Regional Officer Mr. Francis Costas participated in the Better Rice Initiative Asia (BRIA)-Farmers Regional Closing Activity in Hinunangan, Southern Leyte and held a training on the safe and judicious use of fertilizers and pesticides in line with the FPA's mandate to educate the agriculture sector through information and education activities.

OCTOBER 18-19, 2017

*Participating in BAFS'
consultation on impact
evaluation of standards*



The FPA-Regional Office 13 headed by Regional Officer Mr. Danilo Negre participated in the 3rd Regional Stakeholders' Consultation on Impact Evaluation of the Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) in Butuan City. Stakeholders from the government and private sector are regularly consulted by the BAFS in order to assess and evaluate the activities and impacts of standards developed by the said staff bureau of the Department of Agriculture (DA).

OCTOBER 19-20, 2017



*Boosting the knowledge
and skills of the industry
manpower*



The FPA-Regional Office 11 led by Ms. Estrella Laquinta participated in the 1st Regional Mango Summit organized by the Samahang Magmamangga ng Davao Region, Inc. (SMDRI) in Grand Menseng Hotel, Davao City and lectured on "Good Agricultural Practices on Pesticide Management in Mango".

OCTOBER 20, 2017



Enforcing the law and fulfilling the mandates in the field



The FPA-Regional Office 11 headed by Regional Officer Ms. Estrella Laquinta conducted a clean-up drive operation in the municipalities of Compostela and Nabuskuran in the province of Compostela Valley. This endeavor is part of the regular monitoring and enforcement activities of the FPA in the field aimed at ensuring that all fertilizer and pesticide products being handled and sold by licensed dealers are registered with the FPA.

OCTOBER 25, 2017



Strengthening collaboration with industry stakeholders and associations

The FPA-Regional Office 1 led by Regional Officer Mr. Balao Vicente, Jr. convened in a meeting with the officers of the Association of Fertilizer and Pesticide Distributors and Dealers of Pangasinan and tackled important matters on industry concerns and updates on the regulatory functions, initiatives and policies of the FPA.

OCTOBER 25-26, 2017



*Boosting the knowledge
and skills of the industry
manpower*



The FPA-Regional Office 5 headed by Regional Officer Ms. Lilia Latumbo conducted a training on Accredited Safety Dispenser of Fertilizer and Pesticide (ASD), which aimed to educate stakeholders on the Presidential Decree 1144; general fertilizer and pesticide information; handling and storage; transport and distribution; poisoning and first aid; and other related topics on the regulation of fertilizer and pesticide.

OCTOBER 25-26, 2017

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OCTOBER 26, 2017



*Strengthening industry alliances
in the field*



The FPA-Regional Office 3 headed by Mr. Antonio Cruz, Jr. convened in a meeting with fertilizer and pesticide dealers in Nueva Ecija to discuss and tackle industry concerns and to provide updates on the regulatory functions, initiatives and policies of the FPA.

OCTOBER 27, 2017



Boosting the knowledge and skills of industry manpower



OCTOBER 27, 2017



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The FPA-Regional Office 11 led by Regional Officer Ms. Estrella Laquinta together with FPA Executive Director Wilfredo C. Roldan and FPA-Planning, Management and Information Division (PMID) participated in the Philippine Association of Entomologists' (PAE) Symposium for the Renewal of Accreditation themed "Management of Plantation Crops through Conventional and Biorational Inputs". The FPA-PMID administered the examination for the renewal of accreditation after the symposium.