



FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE AUTHORITY

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GOOD GOVERNANCE AND ZERO CORRUPTION

Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority pledge
transparency and ZERO Corruption in
Department of Agriculture.

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FPA WELCOMES NEW OIC DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PESTICIDE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020



The FPA welcomes OIC Deputy Executive Director for Pesticide Romirose Padin, as she joins the agency. Bringing her many years of experience in the public sector, OIC Padin expressed to become an asset for FPA through her dedication and willingness to listen and serve the interest of employees, industry stakeholders, and farmers. Prior to her appointment in the agency, she served as the OIC- Regional Technical Director for Operation and Extensions of the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office 12.

FPA XII COMMITS TO END CORRUPTION IN THE AGRI-SECTOR

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020



Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority -XII attended the "Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office-12 NO TO CORRUPTION COVENANT SIGNING" held at the Prime Regional Government Center, Koronadal City on September 1, 2020. Mr. Joey Pascua Provincial OFFICER-SARGEN represented the office.

ENFORCING FPA'S MANDATE IN THE FIELD

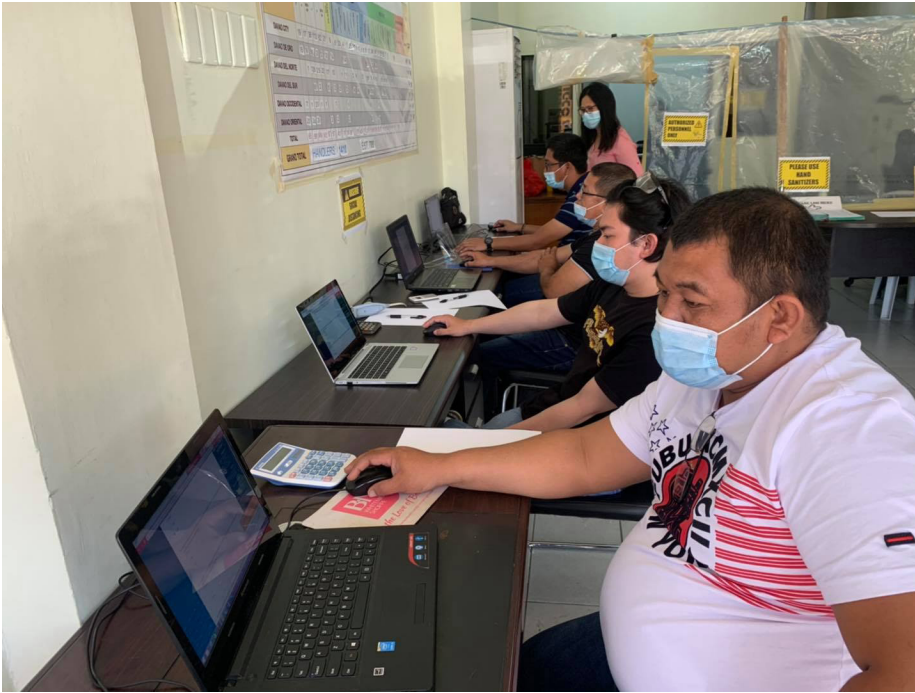
SEPTEMBER 2, 2020



FPA Provincial Officer Jennie Basilio conducted inspection and monitoring of FPA registered fertilizer and crop protection products in the municipalities of Surallah, Banga, Norala and Tantangan, South Cotabato Province. This is to ensure that fertilizers and pesticides being sold by dealers are compliant with the FPA standards.

ADMINISTRATION OF ONLINE EXAMS FOR CPA/ARCO

SEPTEMBER 4, 2020



FPA Davao Region served as proctors during the conduct of CPA/ARCO Online Examination held at the FPA Regional Office, Granland Business Center, Davao City on September 4, 2020.

Five participants for CPA and 7 for ARCO took the exam using FPA-issued computers to ensure security and confidentiality. Moreover, examinees were prohibited to use smartphones or any devices and minimum IATF health protocols were followed.

FPA REGION V CONDUCTS ACCREDITED SAFETY DISPENSER (ASD) TRAINING

SEPTEMBER 7-8, 2020



SAN AGUSTIN, PILI, CAMARINES SUR – Over 30 participants attended the accreditation training for fertilizer and pesticide dealers conducted by the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA) regional office in Bicol, which is one of the requirements for accreditation ID and subsequent of License to Operate (LTO) as Fertilizer and Pesticide Dealer/Dealer-Repacker, held at the Farmer's Hall on September 7-8, 2020.

The FPA regional office located inside the DA Regional Field Office in San Agustin, Pili, issues License to Operate (LTO) for: Area Distributor; F/P Dealer and Dealer Repacker and Warehouse Registration. It also endorses to applications for License to Operate for Importer/Distributor; Distributor; Importer End-user; Manufacturer/Processor/Formulator; Exporter; Indentor and Repacker to FPA Central Office based in Quezon City.

ENFORCING FPA'S MANDATE IN THE FIELD

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020



Enforcing FPA's mandate in the field, the FPA Region III team inspected the Golden Valley Manufacturing Plant in Gerona, Tarlac.

ADMINISTRATION OF ONLINE EXAMS FOR CPA/ARCO

SEPTEMBER 14, 2020



The FPA Region II team served as proctors during the Certified Pesticide Applicator Online Exam.

ADMINISTRATION OF ONLINE EXAMS FOR CPA/ARCO

SEPTEMBER 15, 2020



FPA Region-XII headed by Regional Officer and Supervising Agriculturist Alita C. Bornea and her team served as proctors during the 1st Online Accredited Responsible Care Officer and Certified Pesticide Applicator's examination held at FPA Regional Office XII, Koronadal, South Cotabato last September 15, 2020.

FPA II PROVIDES ASSISTANCE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RICE RESILIENCY PROJECT

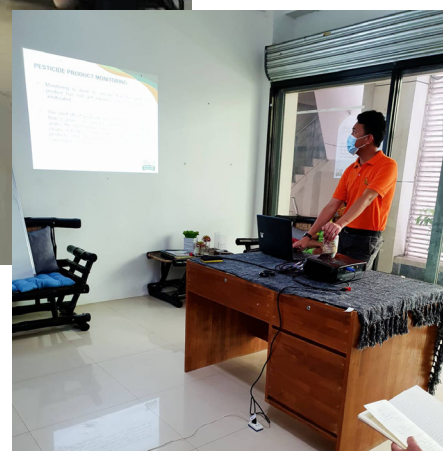
SEPTEMBER 16, 2020



The FPA region II conducted sampling and weighing of urea fertilizer to the different municipalities of Cagayan, Isabela, Nueva Vizcaya and Quirino on September 9, 11 and 16, 2020. This is in support to the Rice Resiliency Program of the Department of Agriculture and in compliance with the DA Memorandum Order No. 26 series of 2020. Samples collected were directly submitted to DA- Cagayan Valley Integrated Agricultural Laboratory (DA-VIAL) for confirmatory analysis.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 16, 2020



FPA Provincial Officer for Sarangani Joey B. Pascua led the Orientation/Briefing on Safety Dispensers of Fertilizer and Pesticides products. The Orientation is a pre-requisite in securing FPA license to operate as a dealer.

The activity highlights the role of Accredited Safety Dispensers (ASD) in the proper handling, storage and rational use of farm inputs. The activity was conducted last September 16, 2020 at the FPA-Provincial Office, Koronadal, South Cotabato.

EDUCATING STAKEHOLDERS ON FPA REGULATIONS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2020



FPA Provincial Officer Rowena Billig and a CropLife, Phil., Inc., staff facilitated a Focus Group Discussion with the Baguio – Tomay Jeepney Operators and Drivers Association (BATJODA) Multipurpose Cooperative, in relation to their plan to engage in the marketing of fertilizers and pesticides since most of their members are farmers.

After the pre-inspection of their proposed store / warehouse of FP products, the FPA representative discussed about the FPA rules and regulations on licensing, and the use of risk appraisal form in coming-up with findings and recommendations after store inspection.

BATJODA MPC Chairperson for the Committee on Education, Mr. Primo Guiad and BATJODA MPC – Shilan Satellite Manager, Mr. Albert Sia Jr. suggested that the cooperative shall be a dealer of fertilizer and pesticide and will raise this matter during the next meeting by the coop members.

Furthermore, Mr. Wagner Annogue of CropLife Phils., Inc. invited the cooperative's representatives to participate in the upcoming webinar on fungicide resistance management.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2020



FPA Provincial Officer Rowena Billig with the assistance of FPA CAR Administrative Aide Ms. Beverly A. Lete, facilitated the conduct of Accredited Safety Dispenser (ASD) training at the Gloriosa Hall, OPAg Nursery / TDS Puguís, La Trinidad, Benguet.

FPA Accredited Researcher from Benguet State University Dr. Jesson Y. Del-amen, Mr. Vicente Tadao, President of Dealers' Association of Baguio – Benguet – Mt. Province Agricultural Association, Inc. (BBMPAA) and the the FPA Provincial Officer for Baguio-Benguet, served as resource persons.

The activity was attended by 17 participants composed of new applicants and already licensed handlers from different establishments and cooperatives.

The cooperative representatives expressed their intentions to invite FPA personnel to conduct similar trainings for their coop members and other interested farmers in their locality.

FPA VII PROVIDES ASSISTANCE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RICE RESILIENCY PROJECT

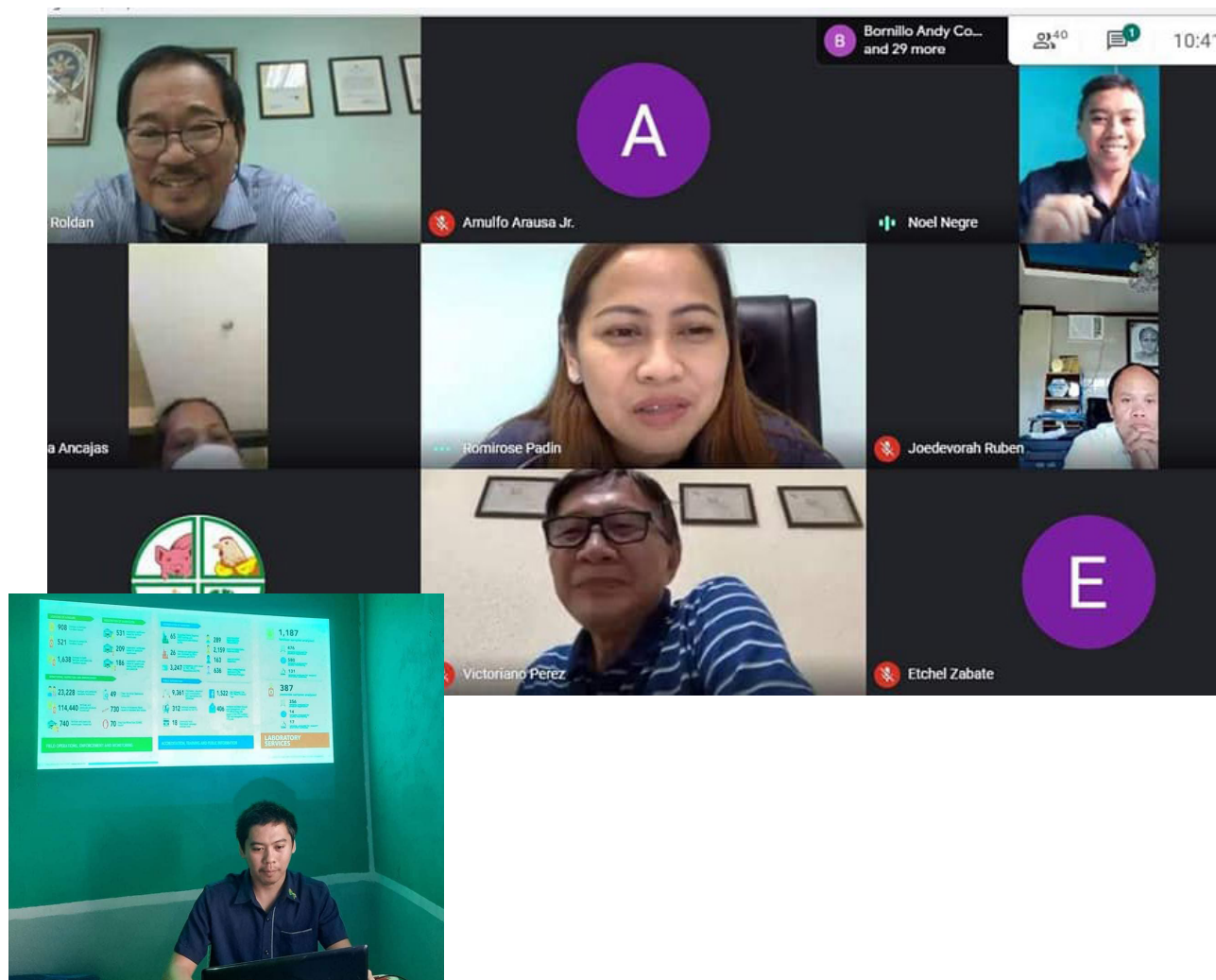
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020



FPA Region VII facilitated the official turnover of the test evaluation reports of the Urea (46-0-0) fertilizer samples collected in the region under the DA Rice Resiliency Program (RRP) to the DA RFO VII.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020



FPA Executive Director Wilfredo C. Roldan and Deputy Director for Pesticide Dir. Romero Padin served as Guest Speakers during the Online Annual Meeting of the different F/P stakeholders in the Province of Cebu on September 23, 2020.

FPA Provincial Officer Noel Negre facilitated the event which was attended by 34 participants composed of Agro Technicians, Fertilizer and Pesticide Dealers, Area Distributors, Pest Control Operators and Product Registrants.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020



To capacitate interested individuals to becoming F/P suppliers and dealers, the FPA Region II facilitated the conduct of ASD training in Gamu, Isabela.

STRENGTHENING STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS AND ENGAGEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 24, 2020



Executive Director Wilfredo Roldan had a meeting with representatives of New Hope Precision Ag Crop for a discussion on the potentials of drone technology to advancing agriculture in the country. FPA strongly supports the pursuit of technological innovation to promote safety and good practice in the application of agricultural inputs such as fertilizers and pesticides. The company was advised to comply with FPA standards and to take note of FPA's guidelines on the issuance of license for [agricultural] drone spraying operator (DSO).

UPDATING THE KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY OF FIELD UNITS

SEPTEMBER 25, 2020



The FPA Region XII team headed by Supervising Agriculturist Alita C. Bornea, together with her teammates attended the webinar on “MoA Labeling & Fungicide Resistance - Session 3” conducted by the Croplife Philippines (CLP) and Fungicide Resistance Action Committee (FRAC).

The activity enabled the team to update and enhance their knowledge vis-a-vis their performance of continuously conducting information and education campaign to F/P stakeholders using appropriate channels.

ENFORCING FPA'S MANDATE IN THE FIELD

SEPTEMBER 28, 2020



Together with Rey Jones Miclat of Bayer Crop Science, Inc. and a staff, FPA Provincial Officer Rowena Billig inspected the field developmental station of Bayer Crop Science, Inc. in Caponga, Tublay, Benguet.

Among the good practices observed include the display of license certificates; signage / warnings are in place; first aid kit with necessary materials are available; proper stocking of inputs; other facilities like comfort / wash or shower area are maintained with water and access within the station is user friendly / gender – sensitive.

Further recommendations and tasking were discussed during the exit meeting.

CONTINUOUS ENFORCEMENT OF FPA MANDATE AMIDST THE PANDEMIC

SEPTEMBER 29, 2020



Amid the threat of the pandemic, the FPA Caraga team conducted simultaneous plantation visits while following IATF health & safety protocols.

As such, FPA Regional Officer Danny Negre had a meeting with the staffs of Unifrutti for their compliance of FPA guidelines. Afterwards, he inspected the F/P warehouse of Sumifru for their renewal of registration & license to operate as institutional user for fertilizer in Barobo and Tagbina, SDS.

ENFORCING FPA'S MANDATE IN THE FIELD

SEPTEMBER 29, 2020



FPA Provincial Officer Romulo Nuestro Crucillo conducted a warehouse ocular visit of Planters Products Inc. on September 29, 2020 at CIP I Canlubang Calamba City Laguna.

A new bottling machine was shown prior to the dry run which will be fully operational upon the approval of the replacement of small and old machines.

FPA COMMITS TO ELIMINATE CORRUPTION IN THE BUREAUCRACY

SEPTEMBER 30, 2020







Pursuant to the directive of President Rodrigo Duterte and Department of Agriculture Secretary William Dar towards the elimination of corruption in the bureaucracy, FPA Executive Director Wilfredo Roldan and OIC Deputy Executive Director for Pesticide Romirose Padin, led the signing of the Pledge of Good Governance and Zero Corruption in the Agency today at the Central Office. Joining them are the other members of the FPA Management Committee. The different FPA Regional Field Units also expressed their full support and joined the event through the simultaneous signing of the pledge via Google Meet.

During his speech, Director Roldan said that the values of transparency, accountability, and efficiency are pillars that will continue to guide FPA and the rest of the government in the quest for good governance.

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