

## FPA XII WELCOMES COURTESY VISIT OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR PADIN

JANUARY 4, 2021

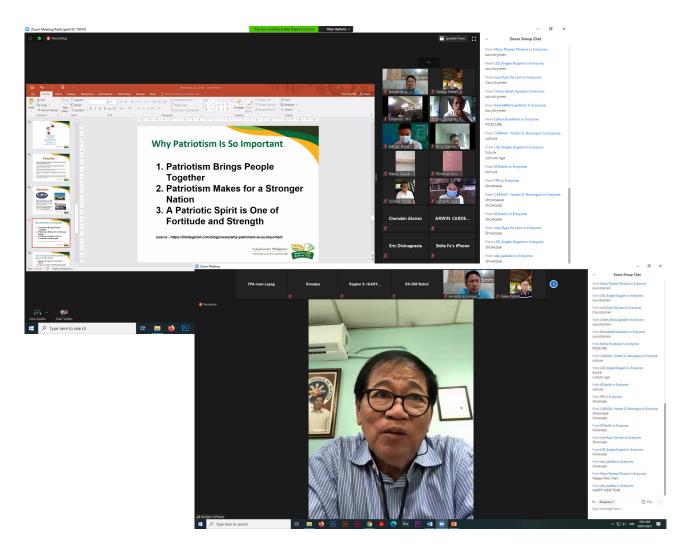




FPA Deputy Director for Pesticide Romirose Padin was warmly welcomed by the FPA RFU-XII Staff headed by Regional Officer Alita C. Bornea during her courtesy visit at the Regional Office.

#### FPA HOLDS VIRTUAL FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

JANUARY 6, 2021



Starting the year right, the FPA had a virtual flag-raising ceremony on January 4, 2021. The event was participated by the Agency's employees from the Central Office and Regional Field Units.

Executive Wilfredo Roldan commended the exemplary work accomplished by the employees last year despite the challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic. "Your resiliency [employees] made us excellently serve our stakeholders during these trying times," he said.

He then advised the employees to always be conscious of the mandate of the organization and the DA. He also highlighted the need for the Agency to align its commitments with the DA's plans for 2021.

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

JANUARY 11-12, 2021







FPA CAR Provincial Officer Rowena Billig facilitated an Accredited Safety Dispenser (ASD) training of Fertilizer and Pesticide products at the SP Conference Hall, 2nd Floor Capitol 2 Building, La Trinidad, Benguet, which was attended by 16 individuals.

Mr. Jesson Y. Del-amen, Ph.D.; and Mr. Balao Y. Vicente – Former FPA Regional Officer of Region I and Ms. Billig served as resource persons during the activity.

The participants suggested that such training should be conducted per barangay specially at the farming areas so that farmers could also attend.

The training resulted in the application of three new applications (FP dealer) for fertilizer and pesticide dealership licenses, three applications for the Renewal of fertilizer and pesticide dealership licenses, and issuance of 7 ASD accreditation applications. All of which are from the participants of the training.

JANUARY 12, 2021



The FPA Region IV team conducted a Warehouse inspection at BASF Agricultural Solutions Pesticide warehouse - Carmona, Cavite.

#### ANNUAL SIGNING OF MOU BETWEEN FPA AND FATA

JANUARY 15, 2021



Executive Director Wilfredo Roldan led the Annual Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Agency and the FPA Accredited Training Associations (FATA) composed of the Philippine Association of Certified Pesticide Applicators (PACPA), PMCP Foundation Inc., the Philippine Association of Entomologists, Inc. (PAE), the Philippine Association of Professional Fumigators, Inc. (PAPFI) and the Kapisanan ng mga Pest Control Operators sa Pilipinas, Inc. (KAPESCOPI).

The MOU provides the specific responsibilities and functions between the two parties in conducting training and education for FPA certification and accreditation programs.

JANUARY 15, 2021



The FPA Region 13 team headed by Regional Officer Danilo Negre conducted a fertilizer random weighing and sampling for laboratory analysis in different warehouses in Butuan City.

JANUARY 15 & 18, 2021





FPA CAR Provincial Officer Rowena Billig conducted a manufacturing plant and product inspection of JS Binwag Agri Products (a licensed traditional fertilizer manufacturer) at Taloy Sur, Tuba, Benguet on January 15, 2021. This is to appraise the compliance of the handler on FPA standards on good housekeeping and product quality as requirement for the company's renewal of license to operate.

On January 18, 2021, Manufacturing plant and product inspection of Encam Agri Marketing (a licensed fertilizer manufacturer) at Baayan, Tublay, Benguet– as requirement for license renewal

#### FPA IV HOLDS VIRTUAL ANNUAL REGIONAL PLANNING

JANUARY 18, 2021



The FPA Region IV team had its first monthly regional meeting to discuss target activities and goals for CY 2021. To strengthen collaboration and partnership with different stakeholders, the RFU agreed on the following targets:

- 1. Improve coordination between and among interl staff of FPA Region IV as well as the Central Office through enhanced reporting and recording system, immediately addressing issues and concerns and keeping updated with memorandums and other official communications.
- 2. Strengthen connections with DA agencies, national and local government agencies and the academe. Be updated about their programs and extension services and collaborate with them to reach out and educate farmers.
- 3. To strengthen collaboration and partnerships with stakeholders, the RFU commits to provide them information on how to access on our contact information, application forms and other data from FPA. This includes the conduct of stakeholder meetings to enhance the data collection from them as well as to attend to their issues and concerns such as circulation of unregistered products, price of fertilizer and products and the like.

JANUARY 19, 2021



The FPA Region II Provincial Officers Mr. Leonardo A. Bangad and Mr.Robert V. Salvador conducted a warehouse and fertilizer manufacturing plant inspection on January 18, 2021 in Cauayan City, Isabela.

### DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR PESTICIDE JOINS FIELD MONITORING AND INSPECTION ACTIVITY OF FPA CAR

JANUARY 21-22, 2021



Deputy Executive Director for Pesticide Romirose Padin joined the FPA CAR team in their conduct of monitoring and inspection of warehouses within La Trinidad, Benguet. This is part of her visit agenda / benchmarking to every FPA Regional Field Units. She was assisted by Regional Officer, Reynaldo Q. Segismundo and Provincial Officer Rowena Billig.

On the next day, the team visited the field experiment station of Bayer CropScience at Ambassador, Tublay. Mr. Reyjones Miclat, the company agronomist, explained the processes and importance of their activities in the experiment stations in relations to the quality of products (fertilizer and pesticide) being produced for registration under FPA and eventually to be used by the farmers.

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

JANUARY 21, 2021



A one day compressed in house ASD training was conducted by FPA Region IV at Sorosoro Spring Resort and adventure Park in Batangas City, Batangas. The activity was held through a request by Sorosoro Ibaba Development Cooperative. Mr. Mark Nicky S. Larga, Officer in charge - FPA Region IV, together with Mr. Allan Jade V. Rojo, provincial officer of Cavite, Mr. Edmar C. Bundalian, provincial officer of Quezon and Romblon facilitated the activity. Mr. Engracio "Bong" Baral, Luzon Sales Manager of Oracle Chem Corporation, was invited as a resource speaker.

JANUARY 23, 2021





The FPA Region IV conducted a warehouse inspection of fertilizer and pesticide products in Calamba City, Laguna. A warehouse inspection is a requirement in the renewal of license to operate (LTO) to check continuous compliance of handlers to FPA rules and regulations.

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

JANUARY 25-26, 2021



The FPA CAR team conducted an Accredited Safety Dispenser (ASD) training of Fertilizer and Pesticide products at the OPAg Function Room, 3rd Floor Capitol Building, La Trinidad, Benguet. Regional Officer Reynaldo Q. Segimsundo and Provincial Officer Rowena F. Billig served as resource persons and facilitators of the training.

The training was attended by three participants wherein two are able to submit their fertilizer and pesticide dealership license and ASD accreditation applications.

# FPA REGION VII ATTENDS REGIONAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 28, 2021



FPA Region 7 represented by Provincial Officer Mr. Noel V. Negre attended the Regional Management Council (RMC) Meeting cum launching of the One DA Approach.

## FPA REGION VII INVESTIGATES RBB INFESTATION IN BOHOL

JANUARY 28, 2021



In coordination with the Department of Agriculture RFU 7 and the Local Government Units, FPA RFO 7 headed by Regional Officer Mr. Arnulfo L. Arausa, Jr. conducted an immediate investigation on a reported infestation of Rice Black Bug (RBB) in the Province of Bohol on January 28, 2021.

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