

PCC - Gender and Development (GAD) Highlights of Accomplishments April 26, 2021

Philippine Carabao Center joined the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), Department of Agriculture (DA) and other government agencies in the observance of the 2021 National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) for the whole month of March with the theme "We Make Change Work for Women".

For this year, PCC undertake some activities in line with the objectives of the celebration. The campaign considered the COVID-19 Pandemic and therefore highlights the roles of PCC men and women in providing continuous services to our dairy entrepreneurs that also rise amidst pandemic. Recognition of their active participation as well as the innovations and strategies they generated in order to reboot, grow and survive in battling the effect of the pandemic.

The following activities were organized and conducted by PCC GAD Focal at National Headquarters and by all GAD focals/GFPS members along PCC network.

1. The NWMC started with the kick-off activity by hanging the **2021 National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) banner** in front of PCC National Headquarters and its 12 regional centers last March 1, 2021. This banner also served as the backdrop used on photo booth and e-copy version was used during on-line meetings and webinars to further promote the celebration.







 A short Kick-off Program to highlight the NWMC was also conducted and participated by employees observing health protocols during this pandemic. Ms. Sonia D. Pol presented the rationale, brief history review and orientation on the foundation of the NWMC for awareness and appreciation of all.

Important role of Women/s was reiterated by the Welcome Message of **Dr. Claro N. Mingala**, Deputy for Production and Operation and further recapped by the take home message from RDD Chief Dr. Eufrocina P. Atabay. The program highlights the Juan and Juana wearing the Best Purple Attire and gifted with Dairy products as token of appreciation. The program was attended by *39 women* and *18 men* with proper health protocol and physical distancing.











• The program was followed by photo op at the **2021 NWMC Photo booth** that was displayed at the PCC lobby. Photos were taken to commemorate the NWM Celebration and were uploaded on-line via PCC official facebook account by the KMD and ICTS team.





• Gender and Development Advocacy items like pandemic kit and shirts was also distributed to employees to send message of appreciation to their roles to the agency in continuing their services despite health risk, this somehow comforted them and lessen the stress/impact of the pandemic.







PCC at VSU (Visayas State University) Distributed Pandemic Kit to Employees



PCC at USM (University of Southern Mindanao) Distributed Pandemic Kit to Employees







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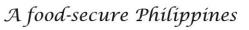


PCC at LCSF (La Carlota Stock Farm) Distributed Pandemic Kit to Employees



PCC at CMU (Central Mindanao University) Employees wearing the 2021 NWM Advocacy Shirt





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PCC at UPLB (University of the Philippines Los Banos)
Together with Brgy. Batong Malake, Los Baños, Laguna Officials,
distributed carabao's milk for lactating mothers on 10 March 2021 as
part of the celebration of Women's Month.



2. To honor the different roles of women and men in helping their families, communities and the nation in fighting the negative effect of the pandemic in their areas, selection of representatives #*OneDArfulJuan/Juana* from PCC National Headquarters and regional centers was done from March 1-12, 2021.

The #OneDArfulJuana selected from each regional centers talked about how they innovate and strategize just to reboot, grow and survive the effect of pandemic in their household and livelihood. Nine (9) "Juanas" stand firm and presented their stories as Champion dairypreneurs.

- #OneDarfulJuan on the other hand, is a spot identification of "Juan" working on unusual task, doing his share of extra domestic chores, which are stereotypically labeled as woman's job. The goal was to Champion "Juan" who share domestic chores in order to contribute in normalizing the household or task at work. Five (5) "Juans" were able to make it as 2021 #OneDArfulJuan.
- All #OneDArfulJuan/Juanas were presented, recognized and honored during the 28th PCC Anniversary celebration last March 29, 2021. All of them received Certificates of Appreciation and token gift products & souvenirs to commemorate the 2021 NWMCelebration.











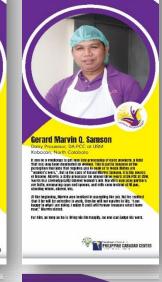
OneDArfulJuana DA-PCC at CENTRAL LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY



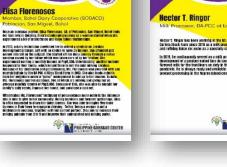












3. PCC GAD focals participated on the available Webinars being offered by the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) on-line on the following topics:

Title of Webinar	Date	Participants	
		Women	Men
Gender Sensitivity Orientation	March 4 & 5, 2021	9	2
Gender Fair Communication	March 11 & 12, 2021	7	
GAD Legal Mandates	March 18 & 19, 2021	5	
Orientation on Gender Mainstreaming Evaluation Form (GMEF)	April 08, 2021	21	3
TOTAL		42	5





A total of **47 participants** attended and actively participated on the webinars, with a total of **42 women and 5 men**. The webinars were ideal for all employees, especially GAD Focal Point System (GFPS) members. It encouraged participants to adopt a gender perspective in their personal and professional lives. The focus on the standards of gender-fair communication was the awareness of staff on the practical tips on using gender-fair language in communication materials and issuances. GAD Legal Mandates on the other hand, talked about the local and national policies on gender equality and women's empowerment, as well as promote awareness of participants on the different local laws related to gender-based violence.

The Webinar hosted by DA-GAD where PCC was scheduled to present last March 31, 2021 at 1:00pm was cancelled by the host due to high cases of COVID in their office and the staff were under quarantine. Ms. Mina P. Abella, Supervising Science Research Specialist and Head of PCC Product Development and Innovation Section supposed to present on-line the "Hygienic Practices in Processing of Milk and Milk Products" during the PCC slot on the scheduled webinars.

The success of the 2021 National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) for the whole month of March was due to the full support of the Top Management and the dedication and strong commitment of all GAD focals and Center Directors along PCC regional network.

4. Lastly, PCC requested a One Day Virtual Coaching on Gender Mainstreaming Evaluation Framework (GMEF) tool Assessment to Philippine Commission on Women last April 8, 2021. After the orientation, it guided us to conduct a baseline assessment of our gender mainstreaming efforts using the Gender Mainstreaming Evaluation Framework (GMEF) tool.

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Gender and Development (GAD) Focal Point System (FPS) and technical working group (TWG) members convened in a workshop following health and safety protocols to assess the level of the agency's efforts on GAD using GMEF tool. The initial assessment with baseline score will be submitted to the Philippine Commission on Women on May 3 for validation.



After the workshop, the group also laid out plans and activities for the following years to develop gender-responsive policies and program for a more gender-sensitive institution. These activities inspired the group to be included as one of the PCW's GADtimpla in the future, an agency known to mainstream gender and development perspective.

Thank you.

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