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The Cover

Managing, recovering, developing and improving despite challenges — that is resiliency defined and at its finest in Kalinga State University. Evidenced during the descent of the CoVID-19 Pandemic towards the new normal, KSU has manifested its mission that furnish the realization of its vision through its many projects and programs delivered.

KSU is grateful to all partner agencies, especially the Commission on Higher Education; and honored to have been bestowed with trust and with so much support to carry on its undertakings.

Throughout the challenging time of the pandemic, the KSU administration, faculty and staff has shown the true character of the university; for it has always been the university's pursuit and be without fail, its clientele's champion.

As CHED Chairperson J. Prospero E. De Vera III is dubbed "Alingag" (which means to re-echo), KSU President Eduardo T. Bagtang resounds this echoing spirit through the reverberating harmony of the KSU Awong!

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KSU receives unmodified audit opinion from COA

The Kalinga State University received its third unmodified COA opinion during the term of Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang as President having satisfied the state auditor in all material respects, which means compliance in form and content with all statutory accounting and auditing rules and regulations of the agency's true and fair reflection of its financial condition, position, and operations.

Through an Independent Auditor's Report dated March 15, 2022 and addressed to the university president, Commission on Audit - Cordillera Administrative Region OIC Supervising Auditor Isidora E. Fernandez opined that "the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of KSU as of December 31, 2021, and its financial performance, its cash flows and its comparison of budget and actual amounts for the year ended in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs)".

The commission's unmodified opinion is in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to the audit of financial statements wherein the audit evidences obtained are sufficient and appropriate to serve as basis of the report. This clean opinion from COA means that the auditor believes that the statements presented follow IPSASs and are free from material error. "Our receipt of COA's unmodified opinion for the third time is testament to KSU's integrity and commitment to uphold transparency and accountability in all our financial activities, even during challenging times as the Covid-19 Pandemic," Dr. Bagtang said.



Popoy De Vera is "Alingag", adopted son of Kalinga

Through SP Resolution No. 2022-046, Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Chairman J. Prospero E. De Vera III was adopted as son of the Province of Kalinga and dubbed him Alingag which means "to re-echo".

The adoption of De Vera was conferred by Provincial Governor Ferdinand B. Tubban in the presence of some members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, KSU President Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang and other guests during the cultural night held at the University Gymnasium last March 2, 2022 on the occasion of his visit to Kalinga State University.

According to the resolution, being an adopted son of Kalinga is a time-honored tradition of the

According to COA, unmodified opinion is similar to unqualified opinion, the best auditing mark which can only be achieved if an entity's financial statements are free from "material misstatements".

COA's annual audit ensures that government offices adhere to the

province and in consonance with customary indigenous ethnic practices and personages and is conferred to individuals who have singularly endeared themselves and contributed outstanding services to the people. The resolution further stated that "De Vera serves as an academican whose technical expertise helped policy-makers for the passage of legislative measures in educational development and other public services".

Sons and daughters of the province are granted certain privileges including protection under the auspices of the Kalinga Peace Pact institution of the Bodong Justice System through the Pagta, the law of the Bodong. /R. Wacas

highest standards of transparency, accountability, and good governance. The audit is conducted in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSASs), the global auditing standards for entities in the public sector. /R. Wacas

EDITORIAL



The Kalinga State University (KSU) family and its stakeholders headed by Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang are very honored and gratified on the visit of CHED Chair J. Prospero E. De Vera III as one highlight during the founding anniversary celebration of the university on March 2, 2022. CHED officials of the region headed by Director Demetrio P. Anduyan, Jr and the other SUCs of CAR with their Presidents were present during the occasion. It was a great affair being attended to and series of activities were done after. The Naneng Heritage was visited together with the place of mambabatok Apo Wang-od and other attractive sceneries in the area. The literal "Padyak" was also participated in by the bikers including the CHED Chair and the KSU President. These are the activities done.

As earlier said, it is really a great opportunity to be visited by a high ranking official in the Commission to grace the program especially when he highlighted the tertiary education subsidies (TES) and the government's Tulong Dunong Program where all KSU students are beneficiaries of TES and many are beneficiaries too of Tulong Dunong. This is a challenge then on the part the student recipients. Do your part in finishing your degrees on time and not to take it for granted. That is the investment of the government. In return, it should be spent well. That is your counterpart as beneficiaries of the said program. Do embrace whatever programs of the government particularly the CHED, that benefit each student. Aside from his visit to KSU, he is

scheduled to visit the different SUCs and LUCs in the Philippines to monitor the plight of the TES beneficiaries. Most students in the tertiary level are enjoying free education as well emphasized and more than two million Filipino students have, so far, benefited from the free quality tertiary education act signed in 2017. Of the reported number, 1.97 million students across 220 higher education institutions did not have to pay tuition and miscellaneous fees from the academic year (AY) 2018-2019 up until AY 2021-2022.

Meanwhile, a total of 364,168 grantees benefitted from tertiary education subsidies (TES) and the government's Tulong Dunong Program in the same period.

Republic Act 10931 or the "Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act" exempts eligible college students enrolled in a bachelor's degree, certificate degree or any comparable undergraduate degree from paying tuition and other school fees.

"This landmark legislation is truly only and exclusively a tatak Duterte (Duterte's brand) because it was started under the Duterte administration [and] allowed public universities...to launch a program in 2018 that allowed every young Filipino to dream and achieve their education," De Vera said during the visit.

RA 10931 did not only benefit state universities and local colleges, noting that majority or around 68% of the grantees of the TES and Tulong Dunong came from private schools.

According to De Vera, the

poverty incidence rates among families in regions where TES beneficiaries live, went down in the first semester of 2021, in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao, Zamboanga Peninsula and Eastern Visayas, among others. These areas experienced a rise in TES grantees since the RA 10931 was enacted. To this program, students and parents are very lucky enough because tuition fees and other miscellaneous fees are no longer their problems. These fees are taken care of by the government. This is to help most Filipino youth finish their respective degrees.

The Senate and House had their own versions of a measure which sought for free quality tertiary education for all students based in state universities and colleges through a full tuition subsidy. The disagreeing provisions of both bills were ironed out by a bicameral conference committee. Duterte eventually signed the consolidated version into law on Aug. 15, 2017.

It is concluded that the visit of De Vera in the Province of Kalinga is very inspiring hence he gave full support to this TES program of the government. Thus, through SP Resolution No. 2022-046, he was adopted son of the province of Kalinga and dubbed him Alingag which means to "echo". He is to echo all the programs of the Commission on Higher Education. Kudos CHED Chair De Vera, saludo po kami sa inyo!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have been abreast with the biggest health crisis- the COVID-19 Pandemic. As days passed, COVID-19 is not only a threat to our over-all health, but it has significantly given alterations in our lives. The KSU academe was not excused from its life threatening outrage as we have unplanned and urgently shifted our classes into a blended learning, paired with the maximization of technology to continue provide our students quality education amid very challenged ICT infrastructure and website inequalities widespread.

As the father of this university, I am grateful despite all the storms that almost caved in us since the start of the pandemic. I then strongly applaud the undismayed professors, faculty, and employees as we untiringly continue to hunt for the quality education towards our students and clients. I salute the students for their spirit of resiliency during those hard times you were coping with your online classes and to the parents, and guardians for your sacrifices and strengths as you unselfishly catered to the needs for your children.

And as we gradually shift into limited face to face classes, I encourage everyone to be more patient as we remain faithful and hopeful for a normal and healthy environment to reclaim.

Eduardo T. Bagtang, CPA, DBM
SUC President III



KSU BOR approves revised graduate programs curriculum, MPA Major in Procurement new program offering

The KSU Board of Regents approved the revision of the Curricular Offerings of the Graduate Programs, namely: Ph. D. in Community Development, Ph. D. In Educational Development, Master of Science in Rural Development, Master in Public Administration, Master in Business Administration, Master of Arts in Education with majors in Educational Management, Mathematics, Social Studies, Filipino, and English.

Part of the revision in the curriculum across the graduate courses is the enhancement of research capability of the students with the inclusion of the requirement for publication in a refereed or CHED-recognized research journal.

The Board also recommended the inclusion of a three-unit cog-

nate subject; that according to Commissioner Canapi would complete the framework for the course this would be helpful in the formulation of the problem for the thesis/research work of the students.

The Board also approved the new offering of Master in Public Administration major in Procurement which will be offered effective School Year 2022-2023.

In an interview with President Eduardo T. Bagtang, the offering of MPA major in Procurement is an offshoot of the partnership of KSU with the Government Procurement Policy Board of which KSU is tapped as a training arm for Procurement Specialists; hence the formulation of procurement as a major under MPA.

KSU launches MIS online enrolment for S.Y. 2021-2022

Kalinga State University's online enrollee update, out of 2,078 students, 1,834 (88.26%) have officially enrolled on the Management Information System (MIS). This MIS is primarily for first-year regular college students only.

University's online enrollment systems vary from SIAS to SARIAS to MIS. And the Management Information System (MIS) is the system currently in use. It features an automated system for student information and accounting, but it is not online-capable. The system can only be accessed when a user is on university grounds. "Collaboration is used to create MIS. The system incorporates SIAS (old system) and SARIAS (system before MIS) best practices and user feedback on the system's functionality. As a result, it was developed through the collabora-

tive efforts of all target consumers", a quote from Sir Reymar Pan-oy, the MIS's sole developer/programmer.

"The shift is aimed at achieving our university's VMGO. It became a reality due to the rapid advancement of technology and the demands of users. Because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the university was forced to shift to an online platform to address concurrent concerns/issues caused by the Pandemic. The current platform at our university is incapable of addressing these concerns. Hence, we switched from SIAS to MIS," he added.

Sir Reymar Pan-oy is managing the said system, the developer of the system, Sir Giarhard Awis, as the overseer on the technical aspect of the system, Sir Danilo Iso, and Sir Antonio Pang-ay, as

KSU's online radio on its way for operation

The Board of Regents has approved the proposal from the office of the University president, Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang, for a one (1) million budget of the online radio under Board Resolution no. 2 series of 2021. It is now on its halfway to installation. It will cater to the laboratory needs of the Bachelor of Science in Development Communication Program, particularly in their Community Broadcasting, and serve as an avenue for online classes of all colleges within the University.

The Development Communication Department will handle its management and Operation under the College of Agriculture, headed by Dean Rex S. Langngag. Technically, the office of the Director for ICT, under Director Giarhard Awis is in charge of the maintenance of all the technical functions. They will then provide technical assistance and sustainability of the radio.

In coordination with the University President, it is recalled that the same office worked to realize this proposal from planning, assessment of needs, justification, PPMP, procurement of equipment until its implementation.

The million budget was drawn from the University's Development Fund, which is supported by student fees. /MJ Wacas

the officer in charge of the system's registrar aspect. Sir Mervin Dalingay, as the officer assigned to the technical part of the system, and for the overseer of student's data, enrollment, and necessary reports, all program chairpersons. /D. Binuloc

Board approves part-time, fulltime faculty, non-teaching scholars

The KSU Board of Regents thru Board Resolution Number 16, series of 2022 approved the full time DOST Scholarship of Mrs. Henrilyn E. Loñez of COED and Engr. Cherry P. Malaggay of CEIT and the full time CHED-SIKAP scholarship of seven other faculty members.

The Board also approved the part time CHED-SIKAP scholarship of 12 faculty members.

The following is the rundown of the faculty and non-teaching staff who availed of the scholarship

	NAME	COURSE	DHEI/ SCHOLARSHIP	DURATION		NAME	COURSE	DHEI/ SCHOLARSHIP	DURATION
PART TIME(AII CHED-SIKAP GRANTEES)					FULL TIME				
1	ADORA, CHRISTIAN LOUIE B.	PHD IN ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT	UNIVERSITY OF SAINT LOUIS Tuguegarao City	Term 1 AY 2019-2020 - Term 1 AY 2022-2023	1	AQUINO, RUTH ANN MARIE A.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MANAGEMENT	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City/CHED-SIKAP	Term 1, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 2, 5Y 2023-2024
2	EDDUBA, REGGIE	MASTER OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE	UNIVERSITY OF THE CORDILLERAS Baguio City	Term 2, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 2, 5Y 2023-2024	2	BELANDRES, JONATHAN A.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MANAGEMENT	UNIVERSITY OF SAINT LOUIS Baguio City/CHED-SIKAP	Term 1, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2023-2024
3	EQUILA, WILFREDO A.	MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FORESTRY	ISABELA STATE UNIVERSITY Cabagan, Isabela	Term 1, 5Y 2021-2022- Term 2, 5Y 2022-2023	3	DAWATON, GRETCHEN C.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MANAGEMENT	UNIVERSITY OF SAINT LOUIS Baguio City/CHED-SIKAP	Term 1, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2023-2024
4	GARCIA, JEMILE P.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN EDUCATION WITH SPECIALIZATION IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS	ADAMSON UNIVERSITY San Marcelino Street, 1000 Manila	TERM 1 5Y 2021-2022 TO TERM 2 5Y 2023-2024	4	DUMRAG, DORONUIN B.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MAJOR IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS	ST. PAUL UNIVERSITY Tuguegarao City/CHED-SIKAP	3rd Trimester 5Y 2020-2021 - 2nd Trimester 5Y 2023-2024
5	GARMING, RHONIHON R.	PHD IN ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT	UNIVERSITY OF SAINT LOUIS Tuguegarao City	Term 1 AY 2019-2020 - Term 1 AY 2022-2023	5	GARCIA, JEMILE P.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN EDUCATION WITH SPECIALIZATION IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS	ADAMSON UNIVERSITY San Marcelino Street, 1000 Manila/CHED-SIKAP	TERM 1 5Y 2021-2022 TO TERM 2 5Y 2023-2024
6	GASTON, REXON H.	PHD IN MATHEMATICS EDUCATION	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City	Term 2, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 2, 5Y 2024-2025	6	LABBUTAN, ANGELINE L.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MANAGEMENT	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City/CHED-SIKAP	Short Term, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 2, 5Y 2023-2024
7	LABBUTAN, JOSEPH TRACY D.	MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PUBLIC MANAGEMENT	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City	Term 2, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2023-2024	7	LOÑEZ, HENRILYN E.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN SCIENCE EDUCATION with Specialization in BIOLOGY	DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY Manila/DOST	First Term AY 2021-2022 - First Term AY 2024-2025
8	LOÑEZ, HENRILYN E.	EDUCATION with Specialization in BIOLOGY	DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY Manila	First Term AY 2021-2022 - First Term AY 2024-2025	8	MALAGGAY, CHERRY P.	PHD IN AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING	CENTRAL LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY Muñoz, Nueva Ecija/DOST	2nd Semester 2021-2022- 1st semester 2024-2025
9	LUMAS-E, JOCELYN R.	PHD IN MATHEMATICS EDUCATION	DON MARIANO MARCOS MEMORIAL STATE UNIVERSITY La Union	2nd Sem. AY 2021-2022 - 1st Sem. AY 2024-2025	9	WACAS, ETHEL JOVY G.	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN LANGUAGE	ADAMSON UNIVERSITY San Marcelino Street, 1000 Manila/CHED-SIKAP	Term 1, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2023-2024
10	MALAGGAY, ALLAN JANSEN L.	MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City	Term 1, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2023-2024					
11	MANGAD, JINKY VALDEZ	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN LANGUAGE EDUCATION	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City	Term 2, 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2024-2025					
12	WALAY, JONALYN	DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN MANAGEMENT	SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY Baguio City	Term 2 5Y 2021-2022 - Term 3, 5Y 2023-2024					

The DOST Scholars availed of the scholarship program of the Engineering Research for Development and Technology (ERDT).

Meanwhile the CHED Scholarships for Instructors' Knowledge Advancement Program (SIKAP) provides opportunities for Higher Education Institution (HEI) teaching and non-teaching personnel, or former HEI teaching or non-teaching personnel seeking advanced studies in identified universities and colleges in the Philippines; based on the guidelines cited in CHED Memorandum Order No., 16, s. 2021. /J. Mangad



CHED approves 16M Project

In pursuit of its goal to establish a reputation as a Center for Indigenous Studies, Kalinga State University put forward a proposal and was able to gain the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) National Vetting Panel's approval for the proposal to establish a Campus-based Kalinga Cultural Heritage Studies and Edu-tourism Center to institutionalize learning venues/centers for the perpetuation of Indigenous Kalinga People's culture and provide experiential learning for participants of the StudyPh Program.

With this project, KSU is granted with the amount of sixteen million pesos (16M) as funding assistance for the implementation of the approved project.

This project will pave the way for the (1) refurbishing of existing

facility (2) development of standardized packages of teaching/learning materials (3) capability-building, and (4) partnership development for internationalization.

The project seeks to strengthen the internationalization program of KSU by institutionalizing a learning center for the perpetuation and dissemination of Kalinga culture that can be accessed both physically and virtually.

The project is spearheaded by Dr. Jessie M. Sannadan with Dr. Ma. Cyrila C. Bawer, Dr. Joy Grace P. Doctor, Dr. Divina A. Balocnit, Dr. James S. Guidangen, Dr. Marilou B. Adora, Dr. Sheila Mae Carol A. Buslig, Mrs. Odette C. Pannogan and Dr. Pinky Larcelle L. Gas-ib.

Groundbreaking for the project was done on March 2, 2022 with the CHED Chairperson J. Prospero De Vera III, CHED Regional Director Demetrio Anduyan Jr., Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang among others gracing the occasion.

The establishment of the Campus-based Kalinga Cultural Heritage Studies and Edu-tourism Center would leverage internationalization of higher education through the establishment of a pedagogical platform (Digitization of Learning materials) and online learning, instructional materials development, capability building, mobility and exchange programs, linkage development, international academic partnership missions and institutional memberships./ MB Adora & JGM Sannadan

KSU engineering lab equipment to go global

Kalinga State University Board of Regents approved on July 7, 2021, by Administrative Council Resolution no. 24, S. 2021 the 21.3M budget for the Modernization of Engineering Laboratory Equipment that is funded by the Commission on Higher Education.

The said program was proposed by the College of Engineering and Information Technology (CEIT) headed by the college's dean, Engr. Rhonjhon R. Garming who is in charge of its implementation. "The program not only aims to upgrade the University's engineering laboratory facilities but more importantly, to

produce quality graduates and promote educational excellence in the University," stated Dean Garming. "These, of course, can be realized by delivering quality instruction in order to achieve the core competencies expected from our students." he further said.

The laboratory upgrade shall feature a small-scale structural behavior laboratory, which includes structural hardware, display, visualization software, instrumentation package, analysis software; and a subsonic wind tunnel of 305 x 305 mm. with versatile data acquisition with its components. / MJ Garming

CHED naglaan ng higit 1.6 M; KASUPANG: Isinulong

Matagumpay ang pagtugon ng KASUPANG (Kalinga State University Action Frontline against CoViD-19 Pandemic) at pagbibigay ng serbisyonng ekstensiyong pangkomunidad sa kasagsagan ng pandemya taong 2020 na nagbunga ng agarang pagkilala ng CHED sa pagsisikap ng administrasyon ng KSU lalo na sa pagkakaroon ng sariling produksyon at pagpapamudmod ng de kalidad na face mask, Calamansi biscuit at Ethyl alcohol kaya't agarang inaprubahan ng Commission per Commission enbanc (CEB) Resolution no. 202-2020 ang proyektong may pamagat na " Fortifying the Kalinga Spirit to Heal as One : KSU's Response to Covid-19 Pandemic". Ang paglalaan ng pondo na nakaangkla sa naaprubahang Line Item Budget (LIB), Work Plan (WP) at terms of Reference (TOR) ay nagkakahalaga ng isang milyon,

anim na raa't tatlumpu't walong libo, walong daan at animnapu't isang piso (P1,638,861.00).

Ang paglalaan ng pondo ay alinsunod sa pagbibigay ng Komisyon ng kapangyarihan sa Chairman na apprubahan ang mga proyektong naendoso sa tanggapan ng CHED alinsunod sa Proklamasyon blng. 929, Marso 16, 2020 na nagdedeklara ng "State of Calamity" sa anim na buwan.

Ayon sa pangulo ng KSU, Eduardo T. Bagtang, " Kung isaalang-alang ang tumitinding sitwasyon natin ngayon kaugnay sa pandemic na dulot ng Covid -19 mula pa noong Marso, kailangan talagang paigtingin at bigyan ng buong atensiyon ang ating nasimulang pagtugon sa Covid -19 pandemik." .Ito ang pahayag ng pangulo ng KSU sa isa sa mga pulong na naganap sa gitna ng pandemic taong 2021 na naging hamon upang makiisa at >>P.12

CHED grants 25M; KSU to optimize university network

Php 25 million funds from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) through the Smart SUCs Development Project was funded by the RA 11494, otherwise known as the Bayanihan to Recover as One Act is set to build a safe and secure learning environment that will support flexible learning delivery through the leadership of the hardworking University President, Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang, and the project proponent team's effort led by Mr. Giarhard C. Awis.

Accompanying the university's effort to battle the effect of COVID-19 in flexible learning, the Kalinga State University is generating a smart campus environment that will help the university move to greater heights and navigate the needs of the new normal seamlessly.

The proposed smart campus technology aims to build a network infrastructure; establish a safe and secure learning environment; deliver learning content to the learners through flexible learning; enhance teaching strategies; improve communications and data transfer; transfer that will provide internet access ubiquitous with corresponding privileges to our students around 6,376 and 218 faculty members ubiquitous. And to assist communities, government agencies, and private sectors in the province using smart technology.

/ C. Agustin

CHED naglaan...

P.11>>ipagpatuloy ng mga guro ang mga nasimulang proyekto kaugnay sa pagtugon sa Covid 19. Binigyang diin ni Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang ang pangangailangang pagbuo ng kapakipakinabang na proyektong binubuo ng iba't-ibang koponan batay na rin sa kasanayang taglay ng bawat kasapi upang higit pang mapaingting ang sama-samang pagtugon sa Covid 19 Pandemik tungo sa muling pagbangon. Isa sa mga hakbang na kanyang iminungkahi ay ang paghahanda at pagpasa ng proyektong proposal sa CHED bilang tugon sa proklamasyon blg. 922 ni pangulong Rodrigo Roa Duterte noong Marso 8, 2020, isinasaad na lahat ng ahensiya ng gobyerno ay kailangang magkaloob ng tulong,

kooperasyon, at paggamit ng anumang kagamitan o pondo sa pagtugon ng mga panganib at kagyat na pangangailangan kaugnay sa Covid 19.

Lalong sumigla sa paggawa ang koponang bumubuo sa proyektong "Fortifying Kalinga Spirit to Heal Us One: KSU's Response to Covid -19 Pandemic" nang nalagdaan ang kasunduan sa pagitan ng CHED at ng Kalinga State University, pag-apruba sa proyekto at sa pagbigay nito ng pondo na isasakatuparan sa loob ng tatlong buwan simula sa ika-12 ng Nobyembre hanggang ika-14 ng Pebrero 2022.

Ang nasabing proyekto ay binubuo ng mga sumusunod; Ang Face Mask Production na pinamumunuan ni Dr. Marilyn M. Langgaman, Calamansi Biscuit Produc-

tion na pinamunuan ni Ginang Lea Bartolome at ang Alcohol Production sa pamumuno naman ni Dr. Bernadette C. Aggabao. Layunin ng proyekto na gumawa ng masus-tansiyang meryenda upang mapalakas ang immune system, maiwasan ang kakapusan ng face-mask at alcohol sa probinsiya ng Kalinga. Kahit na direktang kinakaharap ang mga hamon sa pagsasakatuparan ng proyekto ng iba't-ibang koponang bumubuo nito, hindi kailanman nagkaroon ng pag-aalinlangan ang administrasyon na maipatupad ito sa kabila ng mga tungkulin at mga gawaing nakapaloob sa kasunduan sa pagitan ng CHED na kinatawan ni Chairman J. Prospero E De Vera at ng pangulo ng KSU, Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang./ M. Onalan

KSU dumalo sa workshop development ng Cordillera Heritage 101 silabus

Nakiisa ang lahat ng mga naimbitahang kolehiyo at pamantasan ng Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) sa Conference - Workshop Ng Cordillera Heritage 101 Silabus sa Ifugao State University noong ika-22 -23 ng Pebrero 2022. At isa ang KSU sa mga ito na kinatawan nina Dr. Robert Rodolfo at Ms. Agnes Balawan.

Pinangunahan ni Dr. Serafin L. Ngohayon at ng CHED-CAR representatives ang naturang workshop conference.

Sinimulan ang naturang kumperensiya sa isang maikling programa kasabay ng pagpapakilala sa mga kalahok at pagbibigay-linaw ni Ngohayon sa simulain ng proyektong Cordillera Heritage na nagpamulat at nagbigay inspirasyon upang isakatuparan ang pagbuo ng Cordillera Heritage 101 para sa lahat ng mga HEI's sa kordilyera.

Sa kanyang pagbabahagi ay hindi niya kinaligtaang banggitin ang adhikain, kahalagahan, la-



Mula sa kaliwa: Ms. Agnes Balawan, Dr. Serafin Ngohayon at Dr. Robert Rodolfo

yunin at ang kahihinatnan nito sa edukasyon, maging ang paunang presentasyon ng mga SUCs at ng Autonomous HEI's ng kani-kanilang mga karanasan sa integrasyon ng IP studies o edukasyon noong Nobyembre 2021.

Tinuldukan ni Ngohayon ang kanyang pagbabahagi sa pamamagitan ng linyang ito, "Cordillera Heritage 101, surely does, enhance our mantra to produce GLOCAL: Globally competitive and locally responsive

graduates".

Positibo at kalinawan ng diwa ang naging sandata ng mga kalahok upang matagumpay na naisakatuparan sa dalawang araw ang naturang workshop conference. Isa-isang inilatag ng mga kalahok sa pamamagitan ng presentasyon ang kanilang naying silabus para sa Cordillera Heritage 101.

Adhikain ng lahat sa kumperensiya ang "Together we will work out Cordillera Heritage 101". / A. Balawan

DA-BAR backs KSU Mushroom Center Project

Funded by the Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Agricultural research, and spearheaded by Center Director Carmen A. Baglinit, KSU Mushroom Center was established to strengthen the mushroom research development and training to equip the farmers, out of school youth, tertiary students and graduate students with basic knowledge and skills in achieving accurate, conclusive and reliable know-how in mushroom production.

The center aims to be contributory to the goals and objectives of the university including the attainment of national goals and aspiration for food security as it is imperative in the quality of life of farmers, society and budding entrepreneurs.

The ribbon cutting and Launching of the Button Mushroom Project of KSU was inaugurated last March 11, 2022./ KSU-CA Research & Extension Office



REPIC sets procedures on publication

The Research and Extension Publication Information Center surely aims to properly organize, document and monitor publication ventures of Kalinga State University faculty-researchers as it had set official procedures to be followed once a research paper is accepted for publication in any local and international journal.

REPIC Director Karen Duyan shared that there had been a difficulty in monitoring the number of faculty-researchers who are able to submit research papers for publication thereby creating confusion in securing reim-

bursements of publication fees once these are accepted.

The REPIC now requires faculty-researchers to accomplish the application for publication, certification and copyright form to ensure that all publication endeavors are recorded, that the journal is a refereed or indexed journal and not included in the Beall's List of Predatory Journals or Publishers, that the paper was presented during in-house review and was written at least three (3) years back, and that the paper is free from copyright infringements and plagiarism issues.

This shall be noted and certified by the College Research Chair, the University Research Publication Chairman, and the Senior Research Specialist before the approval of the REPIC Director.

The form along with the notice of acceptance from the journal indicating the fees and payment procedures, the published paper, the reviewer's comments and suggestions (if any) and a letter of request for reimbursement or financial assistance relevant to the publication will be forwarded to the Research Development and Extension Office./ R. Ladip-Ladwington



Arrival at Tuguegarao Airport



Ribbon-cutting Ceremony of the University's R&D Bldg.



Groundbreaking Ceremony of KSU Cultural Heritage & Edu-tourism Center



Radio interview with Gimpong 92.1 FM Radio and discussed issues and updates regarding the programs of the Commission especially programs on scholarships and grant in aid program



Sir Popoy's Meeting with CHED Sikap Scholars of Kalinga



Dinner at Lilayan, Lubuagan wherein guests were amused with the culture and tradition of Kalinga as presented through various performances



SIR POPOY'S PABAYAK SA KALINGA



KSU prepared a Cultural Night wherein various cultural dances of Cordillera were performed. One of the highlights of the night was the conferment of Chairperson J. Prospero "Popoy" E. De Vera III as the adopted son of the Province of Kalinga due to his notable accomplishments as an education champion.



Sir Popoy led more than 150 bikers during the PADYAK: Claiming Victory for Philippine Higher Education in Kalinga on March 04, 2022. The PADYAK kicked off at M Hotel, Tabuk City, and finished at Barangay Naneng, The Heritage Village, Tabuk City, Kalinga.



Meeting with TES Grantees at Bantay, Tabuk City.

CHED Chair's visit & coffee break at SLCB: warmly welcomed by the TES beneficiaries of the institution, the faculty and staff of SLCB, headed by SLCB President, Bishop Jun Andaya, and other students



KSU notches 101-200 in WURI rankings



With the Kasupang program as its highlight for the crisis management category, the Kalinga State University scored a place in the Top 101-200 of the 2022 World's Universities with Real Impact (WURI) Ranking.

WURI is a new international ranking established by the Organizing Committee of the Hanseatic League of Universities (HLU).

This year's ranking was organized by the Policy and Strategy on National Competitiveness (IPSNK) of South Korea and supported by four other organizations including the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), HLU, the Institute for Industrial Policy Studies (IPS) from Seoul, South Korea, and the Taylor Institute of Franklin University Switzerland (FUS) from Switzerland.

The ranking seeks to deviate from the traditional rankings by highlighting the innovative programs of the universities instead of the usual quantitative metrics which give credence to research and academic systems.

Kasupang as the univ's innovation entry

KSU emphasized the innovation it implemented during the onslaught of the COVID-19 pandemic which debuted in March 2020.

Kasupang is the term used to refer to KSU's action frontline against the pandemic.

It is a Kalinga ethnic term that means "counterpart" and an appellation conferred to peace pact holders to acknowledge their incredibly significant task to triumph and uphold peace and order between and among their tribes.

KSU became a "kasupang" of the government in planning and organizing a series of activities based on the resources and technical competence available to help mitigate the impact of the health threat.

The university kicked off the program with relief operations to the application and implementation of research outputs.

The technical competence of its employees led to the development of Ethyl alcohol, calamansi soaps, aloemon hand sanitizers, washable face masks and calamansi cookies which were distributed to different groups of front liners and communities.

Along with these contributions were the following: implementation of the flexible learning continuity plan where teachers and students were introduced to synchronous and asynchronous teaching-learning process, printing and distribution of IEC materials on COVID-19, transportation services and scheduled decontamination of the three campuses of the university.

The Kasupang program is still implemented and will continue until the pandemic ends.

KSU's next plan for WURI

According to Dr. Pinky Gas-ib, the Director for the Office of Distance Education, Transnational Education and International Linkages, the university seeks to notch up in next year's WURI rankings and plans to work on programs under the other categories.

The six (6) criteria under the ranking include Industrial Application, Entrepreneurial Spirit, Ethical Value, Student Mobility and Openness, Crisis Management, and Fourth Industrial Revolution.

Gas-ib added that a committee for the WURI 2023 which shall spearhead the planning, monitoring, evaluation and preparation of documents is now suggested.

"With this achievement, the university through the ODETEIL and the Office for Quality Assurance, dreams more in its internationalization plans looking forward to qualifying in other university ranking standards and criteria like Times Higher Education World University Rankings and QS World University Rankings," Gas-ib shared.

It is further noted that KSU shall send delegates to the CHED-Cordillera's first-ever masterclass titled, FLAIR: "Filipino Leaders in Advancing International Reputation" on June 28-30 in Baguio City. This event aims to work together with the different Cordillera HEIs in showcasing their uniqueness and their contributions to the region, the country and the world./RLadwington

DOST-PTRI launches sericulture facility in KSU-Rizal Campus



The Philippine Textile Research Institute (PTRI), the premier textile research and development arm of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) inaugurated the first ever Silk Filature Facility installed at the Kalinga State University, Rizal Campus in Barangay Bulbul, Rizal, Kalinga last April 29, 2022. The momentous event was graced by PTRI Director Celia B. Elumba, DOST-CAR Regional Director Dr. Nancy A. Bantog, Congressman Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang, KSU President Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang, University Officials and other stakeholders including LGU-Rizal Officials, members of the Kalinga Indigenous Weavers Association (KINWA), Sagada Weavers and other farmers and non-government organizations.

Earlier in 2017, a one-hectare mulberry plantation was initially prepared at the KSU-Rizal Campus which was later expanded to 10 hectares to produce mulberry leaves, the primary food source of silkworms for cocoon production. A silkworm rearing and cocoon processing facility was later put up at the KSU Rizal Campus with the aid of

the PTRI and the Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority. In his message, Congressman Mangaoang emphasized the importance of the project as it will open up new beginnings for sericulture farmers as well as the Kalinga weavers who used to source out their indigenous raw materials from banana, cogon, abaca and maguey.

"Weaving is one of the major economic activities among women in the province of Kalinga and I believe that the production of silk through this facility will provide additional raw materials for Kalinga weavers and will further improve the quality of the Kalinga textile which is included in the world's list of renowned woven products. In addition to providing livelihood opportunities for farmers and weavers in the province, we can see a huge potential for the silk farm to be a sustainable and viable tourist destination for both local and foreign tourists." Mangaoang said.

Meanwhile, PTRI Director Celia B. Elumba expressed her gratitude to the Kalinga State University and the Local Government Unit of Rizal for their un-

wavering support that contributed to the establishment and inauguration of the Silk Filature Facility which did not fully operate during the last two years because of the Covid-19 Pandemic. She likewise underscored that the project will provide opportunities for weaving communities to enhance their talents and transform their simple products into world class products.

Sericulture is the process of farming silkworms. It starts with the cultivation of Mulberry trees, the leaves of which are the silkworm's food. After twenty-one days of feeding, the silkworms spit out silk cocoons which are turned into fiber and thread. The silk reeling line at Kalinga State University will serve as the silk research and innovation center (SRIC) in the Cordillera. It will integrate activities for silk cocoon production from the surrounding areas and rural communities for processing. The facility is expected to redound to more involvement of stakeholders to create jobs through moriculture, cocoon production, cocoon processing, and weaving.

/ R. Wacas



Dr. Canapi is the new chair of the Board of Regents

Dr. Marita Rana Canapi, is the new CHED Commissioner and will be serving as the Chairperson of the KSU Board of Regents effective February 9, 2022 until 21 July 2025 based on the appointment issued by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte on February 9, 2022.

She takes the place of former Commissioner Lilian A. De Las Llagas who chaired the KSU Board from April 13, 2017 until February 8, 2022. »P.19

KSU-Extension achieves target, forges more partnerships in 2021

The Kalinga State University remains true to its mission of undertaking extension services and assisting in the development of communities, especially the underserved.

Through its extension office, KSU was able to cater to an estimate of 7300 clientele in the 96 extension activities conducted in 2021. These are more than the set target of only 2700 clientele in 38 extension activities.

The following table presents the actual accomplishment and contribution of the different colleges related to extension:

College	# of Clienteles Served	College	# of Clienteles Served
College of Public Administration & Indigenous Governance	196	College of Agriculture	582
College of Health & Natural Sciences	887	College of Forestry	182
College of Education	687	College of Criminal Justice Education	469
Laboratory High School	264	College of Engineering and Information Technology	413
College of Agro-Forestry and Environmental Studies	151	College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences	403
College of Entrepreneurship, Tourism, and Hotel Management	1467	College of Business Administration and Accountancy	1682

In addition, the university has added 23 more in its partnership list for extension which is higher by 13 in the set target for the year.

These include Landbank of the Philippines, Inc., Papaltongon Coffee Producers Association, Provincial Cooperative and Enterprise Development Office and Barangay Local Government Units like Naneng, Cudal and Balawag.

These accomplishments were made possible through different extension initiatives like consultancy services, information dissemination using IEC materials, benchmarking and assistance, conduct of trainings, maintenance of farmer information and technology service, and collaborative projects. / R. Ladwington

Newly appointed KSUEA officers took oath

As Uncle Ben once said on the movie Spider Man, "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility".

Actions that inspire others to dream, learn more and to do more is indeed a great leader. A leader that listens and stand for the betterment of the many.

On January 25, 2022 the newly appointed officers »P.19



Dr. Canapi...

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Commissioner Canapi introduced herself to the Board mentioning among others that she is a former President of the University of Rizal System, a former Vice President for Academic Affairs of the University of Makati; and had also served as Vice President for Academic Affairs at the Paman-tasan ng Lungsod ng Marikina.

Commissioner Canapi served as graduate school faculty in some Universities in Metro Manila and served as evaluator of the SEAMEO Innotech.

Newly Appointed...

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of the Kalinga State University Employees Association (KSUEA) took their oath of office with Eduardo T. Bagtang, President of the Kalinga State University (KSU).

KSUEA is a CSC-Accredited Employees Union of the Kalinga State University. The association aims to address and identifies issues and concerns of the KSU employees by closing their gaps, providing their needs, and to sustained peace and harmony.

Through these association, KSU employees can be as one, and harmonious relationship is built as a second home in order to make them feel that there's an association that they can lean on.

For the past years, the association was actively working and continuously contributes to the attainment of Kalinga State University Vision and Mission led by their active incumbent President Dr. Juan Moshe Duyan.

The newly appointees were composed of 10 members: President: Dr. Juan Moshe Duyan,

Vice President: Sharmain Codiam, Secretary: Arjay Bedaña, Treasurer: Lorraine Benidez, Auditor: Elsie Andres, Business Managers: Vida Gunnawa, Fayne Aligao, P.R.O.: Dennis Ocampo and Sentinels: Jeffrey Angngalao, Nelia Diawan.

These newly appointed officers will surely make a difference for S.Y. 2022 in implementing and turning their vision into reality. / J. Balawan



KSU reopens campus for LF2F lab courses

Kalinga State University has started its limited face-to-face classes for the BS Midwifery and Diploma in Midwifery programs of the College of Natural and Health Sciences in February 2022, almost two years after the Luzon-wide lockdown due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

The college has allowed the in-campus classes for laboratory subjects and demonstration sessions with only ten students in a room. CNHS students attended their limited face-to-face classes at the Bulanao Campus, where they performed returned demonstrations on clinical practicum.

According to Dr. Divina A. Balocnit, the CNHS Dean, students' off-campus training started in September 2021 when the CHED awarded the "Certificate of Authority" to Conduct Limited Face-to-Face classes to both courses.

"The face-to-face classes are needed especially in returned demonstrations. Our students must be prepared and ready before being deployed to the hospitals for their off-campus training. The students must be well equipped with necessary skills needed in the field." Dean Balocnit said in an interview.

Geraldine L. Liwaliw, CNHS clinical instructor, said that this

is the students' first time to hold mannequins and perform proper procedures because during flexible learning classes, students can only practice with their stuffed toys without the proper laboratory equipment and medical tools.

"Ang challenging part doon (flexible learning) ay you cannot build rapport and trust with your students because virtual - walang proper communication. Unlike kapag face-to-face, you see your students and you can teach them properly and correctly the different procedures," Liwaliw said in an interview. »P.20

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Like Fevie Joy P. Babalan, midwifery student, other students also hope for the continued face-to-face classes after these demonstrations.

"Iyong mga concepts po na itinuro, magagawa na po namin kasi may mga gamit na po kami kaysa kapag nasa bahay lang kami na laging nag-iimprovise ng mga magagamit. Pero yung iba po, hindi po naiintindihan kasi mahirap pong makita sa screen kung ano po yung mga ginagawa katulad po nung sa pagpapaanak po, hindi gaanong malinaw".

Another lecturer from the college, Ms. Ewejoy Sulca, who took part in the pilot run of onsite classes, shared the disadvantages of online classes to Midwifery students.

"Siyempre kapag online, hindi mo lahat matuturo sa mga students lalong-lalo na sa mga skills na kailangan nilang matutunan. Sila sa bahay nila, wala silang ganitong set up; 'yong mga instruments wala sila, so ang benefit na magka-face-to-face ulit ay magkakaroon sila ng hands-on experience doon sa mga skills na kailangan nila," Sulca said in an interview.

Aside from limited face-to-face classes, the college will also conduct in-person midterm examinations this March. Furthermore, laboratory courses for the College of Engineering and Information Technology and the College of Agriculture are planned to reopen soon.

/N. Cosmiano



Reminiscing a Cultural Night Affair

DR. DE VERA III MEETS KALINGA HEIs IN A CULTURAL NIGHT; ADOPTED AS SON OF KALINGA

Clad with their elegant and well-designed native attire, officials, faculty and Tertiary Education Subsidy (TES) Grantees from the different Higher Education Institutes (HEIs) from Kalinga trooped to the Kalinga State University gymnasium for a one-night get-together with the Commission on Higher Education Chairperson, Dr. J. Prospero E. De Vera III on March 2, 2022.

As part of the opening ceremony, the KSU Faculty Cultural Dance Troupe performed a cultural exhibition. Dressed with their native cultural attire, the cultural dance troupe slowly and artistically walked the floor and performed in front of a thrilled mammoth crowd. The reverberation of the Gangsas signaled the formal opening of the Cultural Night.

The University President, Dr. Eduardo T. Bagtang in his welcome remarks acknowledged the guests and underscored the significance of the occasion, as it is

the first time that such prominent personality like the CHED Chairperson visited the Province of Kalinga. Dr. Joy Grace P. Doctor, The Vice President for Administration and Finance delivered a simple yet comprehensive introduction of the CHED Chairperson, which simultaneously done the sounding of the Gangsas. The deafening sound of the gangsas and the standing ovation continued as Dr. De Vera III proceeded to the stage to deliver his message.

In his message, Dr. J. Prospero E. De Vera III, the CHED Chairperson, said that his visit in Kalinga is part of his PADYAK: Claiming Victory for Philippine Higher Education. He added that he travels across regions to report on the achievements of the Duterte administration specifically on higher education with high hopes that he can visit all the SUCs in the Philippines. As part of his Padyak, he will meet the Tertiary Education »P.21



Reminiscing...

P20» Subsidy (TES) grantees under RA 10931 in every SUCs and listen to their success stories.

He added that there are 6, 782 students from the Province of Kalinga who are no longer paying their tuition fees and miscellaneous fees. He further said that there are 829 students who received Php40, 000 - Php60, 000 TES per year in public and private colleges and universities. He assured that the assistance from CHED will not end there, as he will find ways so that more students can go to college.

The night did not slumber after that, as TES Grantees from the different HEIs in Kalinga showcased cultural performances. Their performances are spectacular as it entertained the guests that even the CHED Chairperson enthusiastically joined in some cultural performances. Before each performance, a TES grantee from each HEI delivered a testimony. Their testimonies unanimously focused on how they benefitted and how the said CHED TES grant helped them in their studies. They also thanked the CHED Chairperson for the said program and the opportunity given to them.

The momentous part of the Cultural Night is the adoption of the CHED Chairperson as a son of

the Province of Kalinga. Based on Resolution No. 2022 - 046 from the Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Kalinga, Dr. J. Prospero E. De Vera III, Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Chairperson, is adopted as a son of the Province of Kalinga, and named as ALINGAG, which means to "Re- Echo". In the said resolution, Dr. De Vera's adoption is the result of his technical expertise that helped policy makers for the passage of legislative measures in educational development and other public services.

It is also mentioned that Dr. Vera is granted all the privileges of a son of the Province of Kalinga, including his protection under the auspices of the Bodong (Peace Pact) Justice System/Institution.

The resolution further stated that such appropriate and fitting recognition (adoption) is accorded to individual/s who have singularly endeared themselves and contributed outstanding services to the people.

In his response, the Chairperson said that he is deeply honored and humbled by the recognition. He also said that the recognition made him committed to continue implement RA 10931 and to look for ways so that more Kalinga can go to college. He also

committed to assist KSU in its efforts to provide access to quality education to the communities they served.

The Cultural Night was concluded with a traditional Community dance or Pattong participated by the dignitaries headed by the Dr. De Vera and from other SUCs and HEIs, City Officials, Provincial Officials as well as University Officials.

Aside from Dr. Bagtang, the President of BSU and Dr. De Vera, other notable personalities include the Provincial Governor Hon. Ferdinand B. Tubban, Provincial Board Member Hon. Frederick Pangsiw, the Apostolic Vicar of the Apostolic Vicariate of Tabuk Bishop Prudencio P. Andaya Jr.

KSU is joined by other HEIs which include the officials and faculty from Benguet State University, Apayao State College, St. Louis College of Bulanao, Kalinga Colleges of Science and Technology, Cordillera A+ Computer Technology College, St. Tonis College Inc., and International School of Asia and the Pacific. / R. Bulwayan





Isang Taos Pusong Pagbati sa ating Pambansang — Kampeon ng, "CHED-StuFAPs My Success Story" Bb Margie Galamto-Palactao ng Kalinga State University. Ang Iyong Kuwento ng Tagumpay ay Sumasalamin sa Tagumpay ng CHED StuFAPs at ng mga Mag aaral. Ito ay Kuwento ng Inspirasyon para sa mga Kabataan ng Kordilyera na Patuloy na Bumabangon at Lumalaban para Makamit ang mga Pangarap. Ang Iyong Kuwento at ng Iba pang Iskolars at Grantees ay patuloy na Nagbibigay Lakas sa Komisyon ng Lalong Mataas na Edukasyon. Mahusay-Matalino-Masipag ang mga Mag aaral ng Kordilyera!



Her victory is not only hers, but our victory also as a University!



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