

CLRG Monthly Report for November 2009

A. Completed Projects

1. Organization, Facilitation and Documentation of 2nd Inter-LGU Alliances Summit

This project is essentially completed as of November with the submission of the final report incorporating comments from partners.

2. The 3rd Tanghalan ng Galing Lecture Series

Held on November 24, 2009 at the NCPAG case room, the 3rd Tanghalan ng Galing lecture series featured the outstanding program of an inter-LGU alliance from the south, the Allah Valley Landscape Development Alliance (AVLDA). **South Cotabato Governor Daisy Avance-Fuentes** shared the story of how two governors, nine mayors, five NGA regional directors, and a coalition of various social development organizations joined hands to transform their environmental landscape and change the destiny of their LGUs from one of perennial chaos to that of sustainable development.

Mr. Jun Aguilar, City Planning Officer of Marikina, Coun. Danilo Cruz of Cainta, Rizal, and UP Environmental Science Professor Lourdes Abellera served as reactors and shared their insights on the topic.

B. On-going Projects

1. Training in Community Development as an Approach to the Application of Knowledge Management and Community-Based Initiatives for Sustainable Agriculture and Fisheries

This is designed to improve the competencies of the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Agricultural Research (DA-BAR) personnel in applying Community Development-Community Organizing (CD-CO) and participatory knowledge management perspectives in community-based initiatives for sustainable agriculture and fisheries.

The first 3 out of 4 batches of this project have been completed, with the 3rd batch held on 9-13 November in Cebu City. The last batch has been rescheduled to take place sometime in 2010.

2. Revision of Business Permit and Licensing System (BPLS) Streamlining Learning Modules and Training Manual for GTZ

As of the end of November 2009, three out of six learning modules had been revised and submitted to GTZ for comments.

3. Preparatory Activities for the 3rd Know and Inform Session

The 3rd K & I Session will be conducted on December 3, 2009 at the Waterfront Hotel, Cebu City. Preparations for the said session were undertaken in November 2009.

C. Administrative Concerns

1. Irrevocable Resignation of CLRG Driver

Mr. Alberto Cruz filed an irrevocable resignation from CLRG effective November 3, 2009. A request for authority to fill up the vacated position has been filed with the HRDO.

2. Contractual Research Assistant Hired for DA Project

CLRG has hired Ms. Maricris delos Santos as contractual project associate for the DA project effective November 23, 2009.