

DTI grants first bio waste equipment in Butig

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BUTIG, Lanao del Sur, Mar. 17 (PIA)--Better opportunities in business and livelihood are provided to residents of Butig and its neighboring communities in Lanao del Sur as the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) officially turned over the first Bio-Waste Granulator in Lanao del Sur to the local government unit (LGU) of Butig.

The PHP16.4M equipment with various components converts plastic waste and bottles into eco-bricks and biodegradable wastes into fertilizer.

"Sana ito ay maging daan sa sustainable na livelihood at makacreate ito ng job opportunity sa mga mamamayan ng Butig at also the neighboring towns kung saan ilalagay ang proyekto," DTI Special Concerns Undersecretary Abdulgani Macatoman said in his opening message as he led the turnover ceremony with Assistant Secretary Ameenah Fajardo.

The turnover is part of DTI's efforts to help decommissioned MILF combatants and members of the communities of the six camps as anchored under the Socioeconomic Development Aspect of the Comprehensive Agreement of the Bangsamoro (CAB) as indicated under the memorandum of agreement (MOA) signed between DTI and Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP).



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Region 10 OIC-Regional Director Ermedio Abang leads the inspection of the biowaste granulation equipment and its various components for the proper turnover to Butig's LGU. (DTI-10)

This is also in line with DTI's involvement as one of the government agencies that compose the Inter-Cabinet Cluster Mechanism on Normalization (ICCMN) which was created under Executive Order 79 by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte.

EO 79 aims to ensure that key government agencies will work closely for timely and effective implementation of the four main components of the normalization process of the CAB. Aside from socio-economic development, the remaining components are security, confidence-building measures, and transitional justice and reconciliation.

"Kami po ay natutuwa. Not only that nabigyan kami ng isang napakagandang, napakalaking project, but your presence is enough for us to be happy. You officials coming in our municipality is just one of the manifestations that Butig is one of the most peaceful towns in the region. Nandito tayong lahat para pagtulong-tulungan ang pag-unlad ng isang bayan," Butig Municipal Mayor Dimnatang Pansar said. (DTI-10)

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