

## Environment advocates launch projects in NegOcc

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YOUTH ambassadors of recently launched environment advocacy education projects in Negros Occidental.

Tayo ang Kalikasan-Environment and Natural Resources (TAK-ENR) ambassadors Angelou Brillantes and Aldin Yanos successfully conducted their projects in Manapla and Hinigaran towns.

On May 20, 2023, Yanos gathered 16 youth at Barangay Anahaw in Hinigaran for the first installment of Project Tabang.

Project Tabang, which means “to help” is a resilience building, and disaster awareness and preparedness initiative that caters to young audiences in rural areas in the province.

Ma. Theresa Robles-Pialago, information officer at DENR-PENR Office of Negros Occidental, discussed the effects of climate change and how the youth participants can contribute to the solution.

The next Project Tabang session on June 3 will focus on disaster preparedness and basic first aid.

Project Hakot of Brillantes gathered locals of Brgy. San Pablo, Manapla to train them on agricultural waste management system and ecological solid waste management.

Mary Rose Tayo of DENR CENRO Cadiz, discussed the R.A. 9003. Demonstration of agricultural waste management was also conducted in the afternoon session.

The project was led by Hope Builders Organization Negros Island Inc. in partnership with DENR-PENRO Negros Occ., CENR Offices of Kabankalan and Cadiz, and participating local government units and Sangguniang Kabataan.