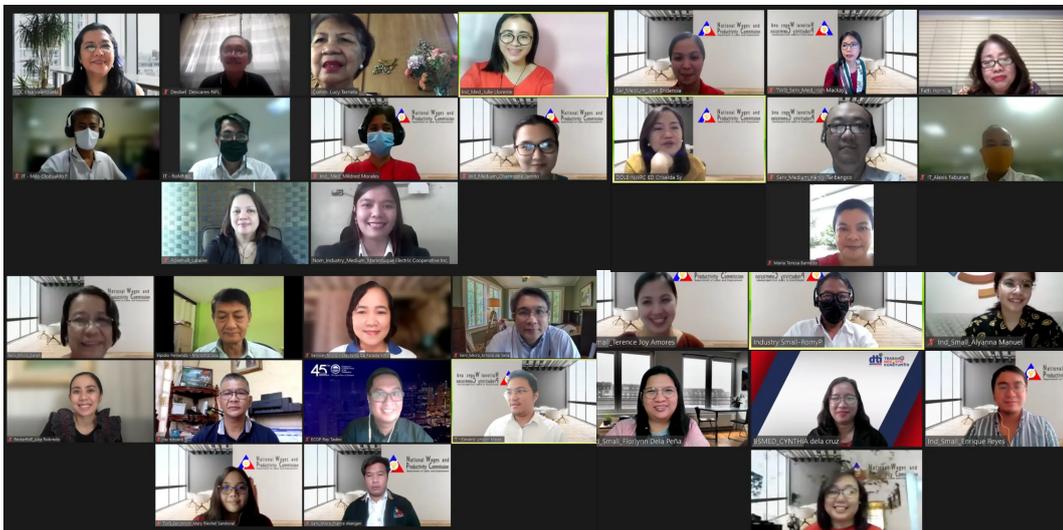


## NSC evaluates regional PO winners



**E**ight National Screening Committees (NSC) were convened via Zoom on August 26 to evaluate 47 selected MSME-regional nominees of the 2021 Productivity Olympics. The nominees from the agribusiness, industry, and service sectors and across employment sizes presented their best practices on business continuity, employee engagement, employment preservation and expansion to the NSCs.

The NSCs are tripartite in composition, each joined by productivity and quality expert. The Productivity Olympics, a biennial event organized by the NWPC, recognizes the best productivity practices of micro, small, and medium enterprises. This year, the search focused on business resiliency amid the pandemic.

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## NWPC organizes online learning sessions

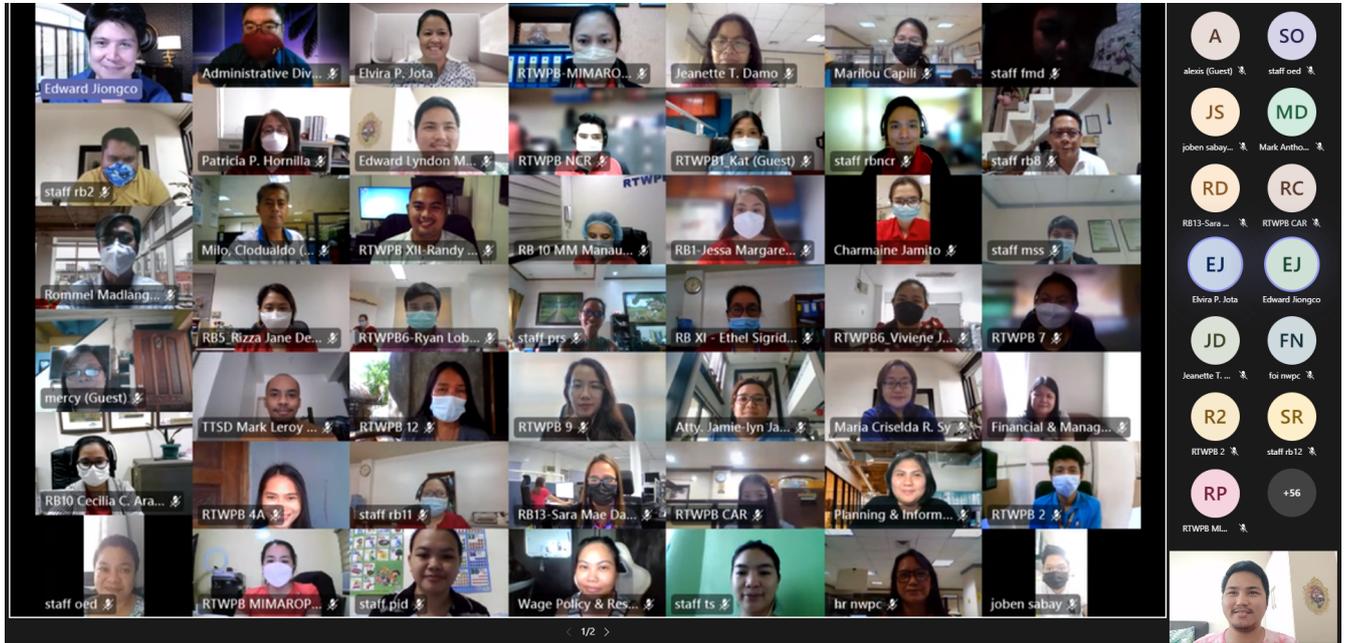


**T**he NWPC organized five learning sessions in August 2021 via Zoom. The sessions were participated by employers and workers nationwide.

These were “Driving Employee Engagement in the Virtual Workplace” on August 4 with Mr. Juno Arcenal as resource speaker; “General

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## NWPC improves technological quotient through MS 365 training



The NWPC organized a three-day training on Microsoft 365 for its officers and staff in the central office and regional boards on August 31, September 3, and 8, 2021 via MS Teams.

The training provided the participants with knowledge and skills to efficiently use Office 365 on a day-to-day basis. The training designed include practical scenarios and activities that would guide and

allow the participants to navigate the software successfully. Participants were taught how to use Outlook Online, OneDrive for Business, SharePoint Online and Microsoft Teams.

The NWPC and RTWPBs started using MS 365 even prior to the pandemic. Data Plus I.T. Solution served as training provider to the participants.

## NWPC attends ILO USDOL project on improving workers' rights in the rural sectors

NWPC attended the launching of ILO USDOL project on "Improving workers' rights in the Rural Sectors of the Indo Pacific with a Focus on Women" on 11 August 2021 via Zoom.

The project aims to promote and strengthen compliance on international labour standards and labor laws, occupational safety and health (OSH), and gender equality in rural sectors in the Philippines and Indonesia with focus on rural workers and women. It is part of the ILO's Safety



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# NWPC joins the workshops for the 14th ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour

The NWPC joined the national tripartite preparatory workshops for the 14th AFML together with DOLE and ASEAN Member States on August 19-20, 2021 via Google Meet.

The 14th AFML carried the theme "Recovery and labour migration in the post pandemic future" and included sessions on: 1) Protection of migrant workers during the COVID-19 pandemic – Current situation and 2) Recovery and the post pandemic future. The forum also discussed the progress of stakeholders in implementing the previous ASEAN Forum for Migrant Labour recommendations.

Moreover, the forum shed light on the new and

emerging COVID-19 related challenges faced by migrant workers and stakeholders, and discussed longer term shifts in labour migration governance and reform that will better meet the challenges anticipated in the region in the medium term.

The AFML is a platform for the review, discussion and exchange of good practices and ideas between governments, workers' and employers' organizations, and civil society on key issues facing migrant workers in Southeast Asia. Every year, AFML develops recommendations to advance the implementation of the principles of the ASEAN Declaration on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant Workers.

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+ Health for All Flagship Programme to promote and improve safety and health globally among the vulnerable.

The project supports a human-centred recovery from COVID-19 in line with the global call to action to promote decent work, safer, and healthier workplaces, and equal opportunities in rural sectors of agriculture, fishing and mining, with women as focus.

This project also contributes to the Decent Work Country Programme of the Philippines, the Socioeconomic and Peacebuilding Framework by the UN, and the National Employment Recovery Strategy (NERS) by the Philippine government developed through social dialogue with workers, employers and partners.

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Labor Standards with COVID-19 Related Issuances" on August 12 with Atty. Jamie-lyn D. Jamias; "Productivity Based Incentive Schemes" on August 18 with Atty. Alvin B. Curada; "Safety Seal Certification and Toolkit" on August 20 with Dr. Marc Antonio Valeros; and "Leaner Management in the New Normal" on August with Engr. Enrique P. Reyes.

The NWPC regularly holds Learning Sessions as one of its advocacy initiatives to apprise workers, business enterprises, and HR practitioners of recent DOLE issuances, labor standards, trends in business practices affecting wages and productivity, among others.



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Category	Region	MSME Regional Winners
<b>Agribusiness</b>		
Micro	Cordillera Administrative Region	Cosmic Farm
Micro	MIMAROPA	Rejano's Bakery
Micro	Caraga	Amparitas Farm
Small	Caraga	San Isidro Upland Farmers Cooperative
Small	Ilocos Region	Bagnos Multi-Purpose Cooperative
Small	Central Visayas	Guilang's Tableya
Medium	Bicol Region	J. Peyra Poultry Farm
Medium	Central Luzon Region	Grain Pro Philippines, Inc.
<b>Industry</b>		
Micro	Cordillera Administrative Region	Gabay Wines and Fruit Preserves
Micro	Cagayan Valley Region	My Aim's Kitchen
Micro	Central Visayas Region	Sandria's Delicious Concepts
Small	Bicol Region	Bahi Enterprises
Small	Zamboanga Peninsula Region	Mannafest Food Inc.
Small	Ilocos Region	Uncle Tom Food Product
Small	National Capital Region	Compact Pharmaceuticals Corporations
Medium	Eastern Visayas Region	Don Orestes Romualdez Electric Cooperative
Medium	Ilocos Region	Nutridense Food Manufacturing
Medium	National Capital Region	Sunlight Foods Corporation
<b>Service</b>		
Micro	Western Visayas Region	Dreamers Valley Camp and Resort
Micro	National Capital Region	HR Spectacles
Micro	Bicol Region	Jan Jada Microfinance, Inc.
Micro	Central Luzon Region	Boba Time
Small	Cordillera Administrative Region	Northern Roots SG Group Inc.
Small	Cordillera Administrative Region	Baguio-Benguet Community Credit Cooperative
Small	Bicol Region	Yangmatt Leachon and Eatery
Medium	Western Visayas Region	Innovative Skills Labor Service Cooperative
Medium	Cordillera Administrative Region	Treasure Link Cooperative
Medium	Caraga Region	Andres Soriano Memorial Hospital Cooperative
Medium	CALABARZON	St. Jude Multi-purpose Cooperative
Medium	MIMAROPA	Mindoro Progressive Multi-Purpose Cooperative