

## RTWPB-XIII joins advocacy walk for Women's Month



**R**TWPB-XIII joined the gender equality advocacy walk in celebration of the 2020 National Women's Month with the theme "We make change for women", on March 2, 2020. The advocacy walk started at the Capitol grounds up to the Guingona Park of Butuan City.

## NWPC welcomes new employees

**N**NWPC welcomed Ms. Maricel V. Escobar as Accountant III, April Jamaica Joie S. Estoque as Administrative Officer V, and Crisanto S. Razon as Administrative Assistant III of the Management Support Service.

Maricel Escobar graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Commerce major in Accounting at the Philippine School of Business Administration while April Estoque finished BS Accountancy at the University of Saint Louis – Tuguegarao. Crisanto Razon took BS Business Administration major in Business Management at the Eulogio Amang" Rodriguez Institute of Science and Technology.

NWPC has reached  
**1 MILLION**  
Facebook likes.



## RTWPB II grants wage hike for private sector, domestic workers

**R**TWPB II approved Wage Order No. RB II- 20 which granted a P5 to P25 daily wage increase for private sector workers in Cagayan Valley Region starting March 16, 2020. The cost of living allowance from the previous wage order was integrated into the basic wage.

The new minimum wage rate for the non agriculture and retail/service establishments employing more than 10 workers is P370 and P345 for agriculture and retail/service establishments employing 10 workers and less.

The increase for workers in retail/service establishments employing 10 workers and less will be given in two tranches at P12.50 upon the effectivity of the wage order and another P12.50 by July 1, 2020.

The board also approved a P500 monthly wage increase for domestic workers in the region through the issuance of Wage Order No. RB-02-DW-03 which also took effect on March 16, 2020. This sets the monthly minimum wage for domestic workers at P4,000.

Both wage orders were published in the Northern Post on March 1, 2020.

## IRR for Wage Order No. RBIII-22 released

**D**OLE Secretary Silvestre H. Bello III approved the Implementing Rules for Wage Order No. RBIII-22. It was published in Sunstar Pampanga on March 05, 2020.

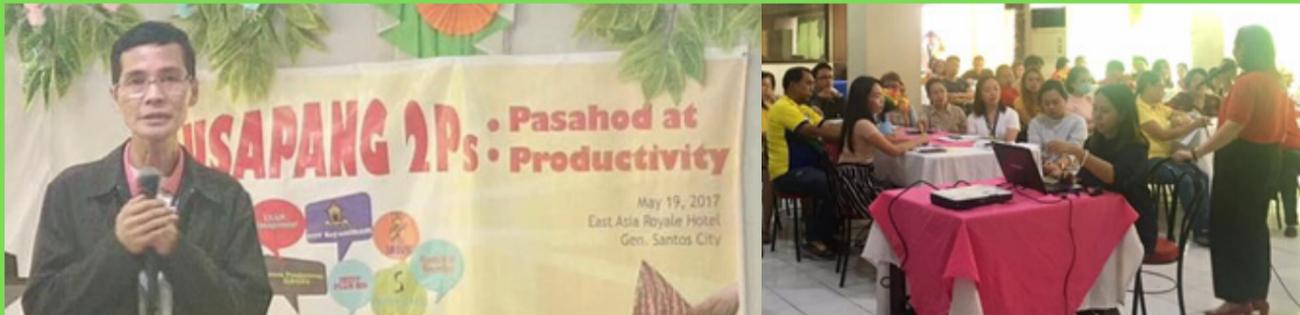
Rules Implementing Wage Order No. RBIII-22 reflects the P20 daily wage increase for private sector workers in the provinces of Aurora, Bataan, Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, Tarlac, and Zambales.

## NWPC suspends public hearings, consultations, other activities

The NWPC temporarily suspends the conduct of all activities that require gatherings such as public consultations, hearings, and productivity orientations and training in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Executive Director Maria Criselda R. Sy instructed the Boards that have already announced the conduct of such activities and published notices of public hearings to give due notices to their stakeholders on the cancellation/suspension of such activities.

## Usapang 2Ps goes to Sultan Kudarat



RTWPB-XII conducted Usapang 2Ps: Pasahod at Productivity on February 26, 2020 at Jim's Place II, Tacurong City, Sultan Kudarat. It was attended by 69 participants from 63 MSMEs.

Usapang 2Ps is a one-day orientation

on the agency's wage and productivity programs, such as the package of productivity training and technical assistance under the Productivity Toolbox and designing productivity or performance-based compensation schemes under the Two-Tiered Wage System.

## RTWPB NCR conducts retail merchandising training

RTWPB-NCR conducted retail merchandising training at the NWPC Conference Room on March 11, 2020. The training is designed to teach

techniques in designing attractive sales displays and customer engaging retail floor plans to boost sales and improve overall productivity.

## NWPC cancels March Learning Sessions

The NWPC cancelled its March learning sessions following the declaration of the state of public health emergency throughout the country and, later, the declaration of the Luzon-wide enhanced community quarantine. This is also

to comply with the social distancing measures being implemented to ensure the safety and well-being of the participants and the NWPC staff. The NWPC will announce the resumption of its learning sessions through its website and social media accounts.

## NWPC welcomes new Commissioner

NWPC welcomes Mr. Jose J. Suan as new Commissioner representing the workers' sector, replacing former Commissioner Cedric R. Bagtas. Mr. Suan took his oath of office on March 9, 2020.

Commissioner Suan formerly served as workers' representative for

the Regional Tripartite Wage and Productivity Board in Zamboanga Peninsula. He is also the labor sector representative of the Board of Directors of the Zamboanga City Special Economic Zone Authority. Currently, he is president of the Philippine Integrated Industries Labor Union and part of NEDA's Regional Development Council-IX.

## RTWPB-MIMAROPA conducts ISTIV productivity training

RTWPB-MIMAROPA conducted ISTIV PAP training on February 27, 2020 in Roxas, Oriental Mindoro. The training aims to instill positive work values that are key to promoting a culture and mindset of productivity and quality among enterprises and its workers.

