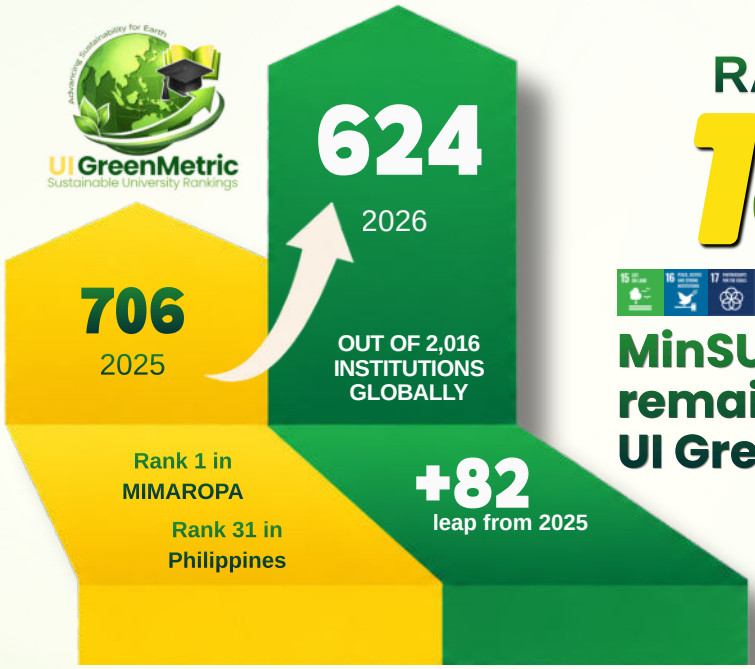
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MinSU rises to 624th globally, remains No. 1 in MIMAROPA in 2026 UI GreenMetric rankings

Mindoro State University (MinSU) strengthened its standing in global sustainability rankings, rising to 624th out of 2,016 institutions in the UI GreenMetric Sustainable World University Rankings.

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₱75-M PAGCOR-, PGOM-funded MinSU building breaks ground in Gloria

The construction of a three-storey school building for the Mindoro State University (MinSU) Calapan Campus – Gloria Extension Class has officially begun, marking the university's expansion of higher education services in southern Oriental Mindoro.

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Hanunuo Mangyan community delves into indigenous textile production through Project RaMIT

One hundred Hanunuo Mangyan community members gained practical knowledge in native cotton farming, production costing and customer service through a Mindoro State University (MinSU) training aimed at developing indigenous textile production as a potential source of livelihood.

The two-day training, held on September 10–11, 2026 at Sitio Galang, Barangay Panaytayan, Mansalay, Oriental Mindoro, was conducted under Project RaMIT (Revitalizing and Modernization of Indigenous Textile of Hanunuo Community) to lay the groundwork for reviving ramit weaving using locally available resources, particularly native cotton or *katutubong bulak.*

Ms. Kaycee H. Nuestro, project implementer, discussed natural resource management and sustainable cotton farming on the first day, emphasizing the potential of native cotton in supporting local textile production. The session also highlighted the importance of preserving and sustainably utilizing the resource.

Participants also learned basic production costing and financial management through a workshop facilitated by project implementer Ms. Rhea B. de Guzman, who provided information, education and communication materials as references for the community.

On the second day, project implementer Ms. Daileen May J. Srechomphoo conducted a customer service skills enhancement session to help the ramit weavers improve their customer relations and communicate more effectively with potential buyers.

The training also surfaced the community's call for the preservation and proper utilization of native cotton, which could serve as a resource for establishing and sustaining indigenous textile production.

Project RaMIT is headed by Dr. Catherine M. Campo and forms part of the five-year Awati TI-KAPE Community Development Program, led by Program Leader Ms. Zusette C. Aplaon. The extension program seeks to strengthen Mangyan communities through livelihood training and other community development initiatives.







MinSU joins Handog ng Pangulo; 72 MinSU students receive PhP 3.75 million in Tulong Dunong assistance

Seventy-two (72) students of Mindoro State University (MinSU) were recognized as beneficiaries of the Tulong Dunong Program (TDP), receiving a total of PhP 3.75 million in educational assistance during the ceremonial payout of the Handog ng Pangulo initiative on September 14, 2026, at the Provincial Capitol of Oriental Mindoro.

Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, joined the activity, which formed part of the nationwide initiative of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. to bring government programs and services closer to communities, including students pursuing higher education.

The educational assistance aims to help ease the financial burden of college education and support students in continuing their studies.

The participation of MinSU in the activity also underscored its partnership with the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) MIMAROPA Regional Office in promoting accessible and quality higher education in the region.

Through initiatives such as the TDP, the university continues to work with government agencies and partner institutions to expand educational opportunities for Mindoreños. (marm)



MinSU faculty empowered as suicide prevention frontliners

"Our role is to recognize, respond and refer."

These were the words of Ms. Maria Kathleen Divina, RPm, resource speaker during the H.E.A.L (Helping Educator Act for Life) Suicide Prevention Awareness Campaign for Mental Health Responders, capacitating faculty members from different colleges as suicide prevention frontliners in their respective areas.

Faculty representatives from the six (6) colleges of Mindoro State University (MinSU)-Victoria (Main) Campus underwent suicide prevention training on September 4, 2026, as part of efforts to strengthen early identification and response to students experiencing mental health difficulties.

Held at the University Board Room, the said campaign equipped faculty members with practical knowledge on recognizing warning signs, responding to students in distress, and referring them to appropriate support services.

Ms. Divina discussed suicide risk factors and warning signs, prompting participants to share experiences involving students facing similar concerns. She stressed the importance of recognizing possible signs of distress, providing an appropriate initial response, and referring students to trained professionals, including the University's Guidance Office.

The second session, led by Dr. Heidelita G. Bumohya, RGC, Guidance Counselor III of the University, focused on identifying students' struggles through direct communication and meaningful engagement. She highlighted the role of teachers as gatekeepers who can help identify students at risk and connect them with professional support.

At the end of the activity, faculty members were enlightened with proper knowledge in recognizing their students' needs and struggles as early as possible and the proper approaches to be conducted.

The HEAL Program is a flagship activity of the MinSU Victoria Campus Guidance Office, empowering educators as a frontline defense for suicide prevention and awareness within the MinSU community. (kpic)



CHED MIMAROPA assesses MinSU graduate teacher education programs

Mindoro State University (MinSU) welcomed the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) MIMAROPA Regional Quality Assessment Team (RQAT) on September 17, 2026, as the University opened a regional quality assessment of its Graduate Teacher Education Programs.

Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, formally welcomed the assessment team, joined by the Vice Presidents, Dean of the Graduate School and other key officials.

The assessment covered the academic implementation of MinSU's graduate teacher education programs, including the availability of learning resources, facilities, and laboratories supporting instruction and other academic activities. It also provided an opportunity for the University to present its existing practices and initiatives in delivering graduate education.

The team was led by Dr. Lino C. Reynoso from Emilio Aguinaldo College, representing the Technical Panel for Graduate Teacher Education. Other members included Dr. Kristoffer Conrad M. Tejada from Batangas State University–The National Engineering University, Dr. Mary G. Alvior from Palawan State University, and Dr. Rudy James D. Tabasa from Marikina Polytechnic College. Ms. Lovelyn L. Chen, Education Supervisor II of CHED MIMAROPA, also joined the assessment team.

During the assessment, the team engaged with the University's graduate programs and inspected the facilities and laboratories used for academic instruction. The process provided an external evaluation of the programs' implementation and resources, helping identify areas for improvement.

The assessment forms part of MinSU's continuing quality assurance efforts to strengthen its graduate academic offerings and ensure that its programs meet relevant standards and respond to the evolving needs of educators.

(marm)





Mirinsanan 2026 equips Victoria youth with knowledge on health, protection, environment, volunteerism

Young Victoreños gathered at the Mindoro State University (MinSU) - Victoria (Main) Campus Auditorium on August 31, 2026 for Mirinsanan: Municipal Youth Convention 2026, a day-long gathering on youth empowerment, health, protection, environmental responsibility, and volunteerism.

Mirinsanan, a Mangyan word which means “gathering, togetherness, or travelling together” brought together students from 12 schools in Victoria, including MinSU for discussions on adolescent health, child protection, climate action, and responsible citizenship.

During the event, Hon. Josh Pypers Macalintal, Sangguniang Kabataan Municipal Federation (SKMF) President urged the youth to act on community challenges today, emphasizing that they are not merely the hope of tomorrow but a force for change in the present.

Meanwhile, Ella Bautista, founder and chairwoman of Mountain Support PH Inc., challenged the youth to turn their intentions into action through volunteerism.

“*Yung pagkilos mismo ang nagbibigay sa iyo ng halaga at posisyon,*” Bautista said, underscoring that service is rooted in action rather than recognition.

Organized by the Local Youth Development Council in partnership with the University Student Government of MinSU-Victoria (Main) Campus, the convention was part of the municipality’s celebration of Linggo ng Kabataan 2026, which also featured the awarding of winners in the Photography, Poster Making, and Vlog Contests.

Mirinsanan reminded young Victoreños that shaping their communities is not a task for the future—it starts now. (jdtdc)



MinSU, DOST-PCAARRD, PMUI empower Mangyan communities through S&T entrepreneurship training



Fifty members of Mangyan communities in Oriental Mindoro completed a six-day entrepreneurship certificate training under the DOST-PCAARRD-funded S&T Community-Based for Inclusive Development (STC4iD) Program of Mindoro State University (MinSU).

Held in two batches from June 29 to July 4, 2026 at the PMUI Training Center in Victoria, the training was conducted in partnership with TESDA-MIMAROPA and Pampamayanang Mangyan Ugnayan, Inc. (PMUI).

The program aimed to help beneficiaries turn gains from science and technology interventions in agriculture into sustainable, income-generating enterprises. *(cont’d to p. 5)*

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Dr. Pinky B. Carig, STC4iD Project Leader, noted that while communities have gained improved agricultural practices and livelihood skills, challenges in market access, financial management, product development, and enterprise planning continue to limit their economic potential.

Facilitated by Ma. Lourdes V. Del Mundo, Senior TESD Specialist of TESDA, the training covered business opportunity identification, business planning, costing and income computation, financial management, marketing, and workplace safety.

Through the initiative, MinSU and its partners seek to bridge the gap between improved agricultural production and sustainable livelihoods, giving Mangyan communities practical tools to build viable enterprises and expand their economic opportunities. (jdtdc)



₱75-M PAGCOR, PGOM-funded MinSU building breaks ground in Gloria (from p.1)

The groundbreaking ceremony was attended by Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, Hon. Teresita M. Ong, LGU-Gloria Municipal Mayor, Hon. Humerlito "Bonz" A. Dolor, Provincial Governor, members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and Sangguniang Bayan, and other stakeholders.

The project is funded through a ₱55-million allocation from the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) backed by P20 million from Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro for the construction of an administrative building, bringing the total investment of P75 million. The three-storey building will rise on a 10,000-square-meter property donated by Bilihan sa Nayon Corporation.

"This will become an Extension Class of the MinSU Calapan Campus, bringing MinSU closer to our communities and making higher education more accessible to our young Mindoreños," Dr. Apostol said.

The project follows the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) among PAGCOR, the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro (PGOM), and MinSU on September 25, 2026.

The Gloria Extension Class is expected to serve students from Gloria and nearby municipalities, bringing MinSU's higher education programs closer to the communities it seeks to serve. With the groundbreaking, the project now moves into the construction phase, marking another step in the university's efforts to expand its academic services across Oriental Mindoro. (marm/jdtdc)



Photo from FB/Gov. Humerlito "Bonz" Dolor

Engr. Hernandez named *Gawad Lingkod Bayan* national semi-finalist

Engr. Christian Bunyag Hernandez, Instructor I of MinSU was among the regional qualifiers and national semi-finalists recognized during the Civil Service Commission (CSC) Region IV Gawad Lingkod Bayani Recognition Rites held September 10, 2026 at Luxent Hotel, South Triangle, Quezon City.

The recognition honors government workers who have made notable contributions to public service. For Hernandez, it reflects his work in developing technology-driven solutions that respond to the needs of communities and the public sector.

Engr. Hernandez serves as project leader of the Project MOSES powered by GENESIS, a MinSU-led innovation developed in partnership with DOST-MIMAROPA and DEPDev to strengthen localized weather monitoring and provide communities and decision-makers with timely information for disaster preparedness and resilience.

He was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Mia B. Hernandez, and Ms. Filomena P. Reyes, MinSU Chief Administrative Officer at the recognition rites. (jdtdc)



Dir. de Guzman hailed as *Natatanging Tourism Program Implementer* at LTSEA 2026 (from p.1)



Photo from Provincial Information Office

Rhea de Guzman, Director for Heritage, Culture, and Arts of Mindoro State University (MinSU), won the grand prize for Natatanging Tourism Program Implementer at the Gawad MAHAL TANA: LTSEA 2026 on September 21 at the Balai Mindoro Convention Center.

Ms. De Guzman was recognized for her research-driven community extension initiatives promoting local tourism among Mangyan communities, demonstrating how capacity-building programs can create opportunities for community participation in tourism development.

Hosted by the Provincial Tourism Office, the event marks the celebration and recognition of the impact of tourism in the province of Oriental Mindoro and the influence of tourism stakeholders in this achievement.

The Natatanging Tourism Program Implementer award recognizes individuals working in the government who demonstrated outstanding commitment and excellence in the implementation of their tourism programs, projects or activities that paved the way for more opportunities among communities and the development of tourism in their area.

Director de Guzman's achievement did not come as an easy win. The judges interviewed key individuals and beneficiaries to verify the accomplishments and impact presented in her nomination. Mr. Kirk Patrick I. Calinao, MinSU Information Officer II, served as her nominator and helped prepare the narratives and documentation of her work.
During field validation, Asst. Prof. Leonel C. Mendoza, MinSU OIC-Vice President for Research, Innovation, Technology and Extension and Mr. Rustico Generoso, Mansalay Municipal Tourism Officer-Designate attested to the submitted documents and accomplishments.





Ms. De Guzman received a trophy, a Certificate of Recognition, and a cash prize of PhP 75,000 during the awarding ceremony at the Gabi ng Pagkilala, together with her nominator.

Her recognition reflects the University's continuing efforts to further develop research, innovation, technology and extension. (kpic)

Two MinSUans break into Top 10 as 63 pass Psychometrician Licensure Examination

Two graduates of Mindoro State University (MinSU) - Calapan Campus secured spots in the Top 10 of the September 2026 Psychometrician Licensure Examination, while 63 other MinSU examinees also passed the professional licensure test.



MERRYGRACE L. OANI, RPm
Rank 10 | 92.40%

JACOB B. NAGUIT, RPm
Rank 9 | 92.60%

Jacob B. Naguit ranked 9th nationwide with a rating of 92.60 percent, while Merygrace L. Oani placed 10th with a rating of 92.40 percent.

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) reported that 14,146 of 15,423 examinees passed the examination administered by the Board of Psychology nationwide in September 2026.

MinSU posted an 82.89 percent passing rate, underscoring the strong performance of its examinees in the national licensure examination.

The achievement adds to MinSU's record of strong performances in professional licensure examinations and reflects the University's continuing efforts to provide quality instruction and prepare its graduates for professional practice.

Naguit and Oani's national rankings also bring recognition to MinSU and Oriental Mindoro, highlighting the achievements of Mindoreño graduates in the national professional arena.

The University congratulated Naguit, Oani, and all 63 successful examinees for their achievement and perseverance. It likewise commended the faculty members, mentors, reviewers, and academic personnel whose guidance and support contributed to the examinees' preparation for the licensure examination. (jdtdc)

About 10,000 students return as MinSU opens first semester across three campuses

About 10,000 students returned to Mindoro State University (MinSU) on July 27, 2026 as classes opened for the first semester of Academic Year 2026–2027 across its Victoria (Main), Calapan, and Bongabong campuses.

University officials, faculty members, staff, and student leaders welcomed students through campus activities, musical performances, orientations, and engagement programs. Student leaders also assisted freshmen and other new students through campus tours and introductions to university services.

At the Bongabong Campus, Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President personally welcomed freshmen, transferees, and returnees during the general orientation, introducing them to MinSU's academic policies, student services, and campus community.

Students also received meals and refreshments through Project HAPAG, a university-wide food assistance initiative implemented across all three campuses. The program was supported by voluntary contributions from administrators, faculty, staff, and students and other stakeholders.

The opening of classes marked the start of another academic year for thousands of learners, with MinSU continuing its efforts to provide accessible, quality, and student-centered higher education across Mindoro. (jdtdc)





MinSU hosts 21st CCAA, brings Calapan colleges together in sports and school pride

The playing field was set as seven colleges and universities in Calapan City came together for the opening of the 21st Calapan City Athletic Association (CCAA) on September 9, 2026 at the Calapan City Coliseum.

The competition, hosted by Mindoro State University (MinSU), brings together student-athletes from ACLC College of Calapan, City College of Calapan, Divine Word College of Calapan, Luna Goco Colleges, MinSU Calapan Campus, Southwestern College of Maritime Business and Technology, and St. Mark Arts and Training Institute.

Welcoming the athletes, Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, MinSU President, highlighted sports as a space for students to build discipline, courage, and friendship while representing their institutions.

The opening also featured Calapan-born sports personalities Grandmaster Rogelio “Joey” Antonio Jr. and Jaochen Gail Cuenca, while volleyball star Alyssa “The Phenom” Valdez served as guest of honor.

Valdez encouraged athletes to value character alongside talent and learn to rise from setbacks, reminding them that success extends beyond victories.

The opening coincided with the blessing and inauguration of the Calapan City Coliseum, providing a new venue for training and competition. Hon. Salvador “Doy” C. Leachon, City Mayor, described the facility as a home for athletes, coaches, teachers, and families supporting the city’s growing sports community. (jdtdc)



Across campuses and generations, MinSU alumni come home

Generations of Mindoro State University (MinSU) alumni returned to their respective campuses in Balik MinSU 2026 to reconnect with old friends, revisit familiar places, and celebrate the memories that continue to bind them to their alma mater.

The Grand Alumni Homecoming series brought graduates together at the Calapan Campus on June 18, followed by Balik MinSU 2026 at the Victoria (Main) Campus on August 22 and the Bongabong Campus homecoming on September 19.

Each gathering reflected the distinct history of the three campuses and the shared experiences of alumni who have remained connected to their former schools through the years.

In Calapan, alumni celebrated the campus' journey from the Calapan School of Arts and Trades (CSAT) to the Polytechnic College of Calapan (PCC), then MinSCAT, and now MinSU. The homecoming brought graduates together to celebrate their shared experiences and the institution that helped shape their lives.

At the Victoria (Main) Campus, alumni from different generations, including batches dating back to 1962, returned from across the country and abroad to reconnect with former classmates, friends, teachers, and professors. Their gathering also looked back on the campus' evolution from the Mindoro National Agricultural School (MINAS) to MCAT, MinSCAT, and eventually MinSU.

Bongabong likewise welcomed generations of alumni whose roots traced back to the Bongabong School of Fisheries (BSF) and the Bongabong College of Fisheries (BCF), before becoming part of MinSCAT and later MinSU.

During the homecoming, alumni shared stories and laughter while reconnecting with old friends. Discussions on strengthening their alumni association also highlighted their desire to maintain ties with the university beyond the reunion.

Although each campus has its own beginnings and traditions, the homecomings shared a common purpose: bringing alumni together and keeping their connection with the University alive.

For many graduates, returning to campus meant more than revisiting familiar surroundings. It was a chance to reconnect with the people who shaped their student years, remember experiences that stayed with them, and see how their alma mater has grown through time.

From CSAT and PCC in Calapan, MINAS and MCAT in Victoria, and BSF and BCF in Bongabong, the institutions may have changed names and grown over the years, but the memories and relationships they fostered remain part of their alumni's lives.

The 2026 Alumni Homecomings served as a reminder that while graduates may move on to different paths, the friendships they formed and the lessons they gained continue to connect them to their alma mater. (kpic/jdtdc)



MinSU Bongabong

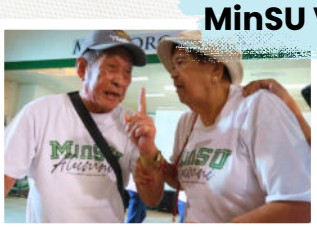









MinSU Victoria










Sining at Sigla 2026 brings MinSU students together through culture, arts, and sports

Talents, sports and culture came alive as students of Mindoro State University (MinSU) came together for Sining at Sigla 2026, a week-long celebration of sports, arts and cultural expression across the university's three campuses.

Held simultaneously at the Victoria, Calapan and Bongabong campuses beginning August 24, 2026 the celebration carried the theme "Sining at Sigla: Paghabi ng Pamana, Pagtataguyod ng Kahusayan."

Students participated as athletes, performers, artists and organizers, showcasing their skills while celebrating MinSU's cultural heritage.

The week-long celebration gave students from across MinSU an avenue to compete, perform and express their creativity while celebrating their shared cultural heritage.

Sports competitions such as basketball, beach volleyball, badminton and sepak takraw, among others, highlighted students' athletic skills, while singing, dancing and other artistic competitions showcased their creative talents.

A special feature of the event gave rise to "Himig ng Sigasig," the winning piece from the Theme Song Competition held at the Calapan Campus, which became the theme song of the Sports Fest held within that period. (kpic)









From ideas to impact:

Young innovators showcase solutions at 3rd InnoBIDAtion Festival















Organized by the Office of Research, Innovation, Technology and Extension (RITE) through the Office of Innovation, MinSU i-BIBES, and the Intellectual Property and Technology Support Office (ITSO), the festival gathered students, faculty members, entrepreneurs, external incubatees, and other stakeholders to promote innovation, intellectual property (IP) protection, and collaboration.

The first three days featured InnoACADEMY, a training on intellectual property facilitated by representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL). Participants learned about IP protection processes and how to determine the appropriate protection for their inventions and other creative outputs.

The festival concluded with the digital launch of InnoHUB, the University's Central Office of Innovation; the recognition of MinSU i-BIBES Cohort II incubatees; and the launch of the seventh Special Project Invention Contest and Exhibit (S.P.I.C.E.).

MinSU also forged partnerships with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) MIMAROPA, Agritektura Enterprises, HIVE Energy PH, and Ten Eleven Manila, Inc., expanding opportunities for collaboration and innovation support.

With representatives from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) MIMAROPA, and IPOPHL in attendance, the festival highlighted MinSU's efforts to help innovators protect their ideas, strengthen their projects, and develop solutions with the support of industry and institutional partners. (kpic)

MinSU team places third in HANDA MIMAROPA Resilience Innovation Challenge

Student-researchers from Mindoro State University (MinSU) placed third in the HANDA MIMAROPA Resilience Innovation Challenge 2026 for developing a technology-based solution aimed at improving water resource management in communities.

Team FERMA of the MinSU College of Computer Studies earned the recognition for its innovation, HydRoute.AI, during the 2026 MIMAROPA Regional Science, Technology and Innovation Week in Romblon.

The team is composed of Jan Selvister Montoya, Danilyn Nibot, and Mark Angelo Oprido, under the mentorship of College of Computer Studies Dean Dr. John Edgar S. Anthony.





HydRoute.AI is designed to monitor, route, and forecast water availability to help communities make informed decisions on water resource allocation and respond to water-related challenges.

The achievement highlights the potential of student-led research and technology to address community needs, particularly in strengthening climate resilience and promoting sustainable water management across MIMAROPA. (jdtdc/kpic)

MinSU launches first InnoHack, turns ideas into solutions

Mindoro State University (MinSU) held its first-ever InnoHack on September 14–15, 2026 bringing together 13 teams to develop technology-driven solutions to unemployment using artificial intelligence and entrepreneurship.

Organized by MinSU i-BIBES, the two-day online hackathon challenged students to turn real-world problems into practical solutions with potential for community impact.

Team Innovex from MinSU Calapan Campus, composed of Al-Francis Eje, Alvincent Adora, and Bhen Jay Amparo emerged as champion with *hanapbuhAI*, a web application designed to connect job seekers with employment opportunities.



Team Cure of MinSU Bongabong Campus placed second with CurricuNex, while Mina de Oro Drone Agri Tech Services of MinSU Main Campus placed third with CROPLI. Innovex and Cure also shared the Best Innovation award, while Innovex won Best Presentation and Cure received the Best Sustainability Impact Award.

Beyond determining winners, the inaugural InnoHack gave students a space to test ideas, build solutions, and explore how technology can address real community challenges.

As champion, Innovex earned the opportunity to represent MinSU at the 1st AUAP International Student Hackathon Competition 2026 in Chiang Mai, Thailand, subject to the competition's succeeding arrangements. The team will also receive full startup incubation support from MinSU i-BIBES.

The first InnoHack opens a new path for MinSU innovators to take their ideas from competition to incubation—and potentially to the international stage. (kpic/rc/jg)



MinSU opens new ITSO office, presents accomplishments of DOST-funded projects

A new Intellectual Property and Technology Support Office (ITSO) has been opened at Mindoro State University (MinSU) to strengthen institutional support for research, innovation, and technology development.

The office was inaugurated on July 17, 2026 at the ASTEER Building of the MinSU Victoria Campus in Alcate, Victoria, led by OIC-Vice President for Research, Innovation, Technology and Extension Leonel C. Mendoza and DOST Oriental Mindoro Provincial Director Jesse M. Pine, who represented DOST MIMAROPA Regional Director Dr. Bernardo Sepeda.

The ITSO will support the protection, management, and potential commercialization of intellectual property generated from MinSU research and innovation initiatives.

Engr. Fernando A. Paralejas Jr., ITSO Manager, led the guests in a tour of the facility following the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The activity also featured presentations on MinSU's DOST-funded projects, highlighting their milestones, outputs, and contributions to research, technology development, and community-based innovation.

An open forum followed, focusing on challenges, sustainability, and opportunities for further development of the projects.

The activity also highlighted the continuing partnership between MinSU and DOST-MIMAROPA in advancing research and technology initiatives. (jdtdc)

MinSU receives ₱4.9-M DOST grant to commercialize research innovations



Mindoro State University (MinSU) has secured a ₱4.9-million grant from the Department of Science and Technology–Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology Research and Development (DOST-PCIEERD) to strengthen technology transfer and commercialization.

The project, "IMPACT: Establishment of Technology Transfer and Management in Mindoro State University," was approved and confirmed by the DOST-PCIEERD Governing Council on September 17, 2026. MinSU was among 26 universities nationwide selected under the program.

Implemented through the MinSU Office of Innovation, the project will establish systems for moving university research outputs from development to actual use by industries, government agencies, communities, and other potential users.

It will cover technology assessment and validation, intellectual property protection and management, portfolio development, licensing, commercialization, and industry partnerships. The project will also strengthen institutional policies, processes and personnel to sustain technology transfer activities beyond the grant period.

Through IMPACT, MinSU aims to create a clearer pathway from research and intellectual property to technology development, transfer, adoption and commercialization, turning university-generated innovations into technologies, services and solutions responsive to industry and community needs.

Project implementation will be led by Engr. Randy A. Joco, with Dr. Regine Ponce-Machete, Engr. Fernando Paralejas Jr., Mr. Uriel Melendrez, Mr. James Gullon and Ms. Judy Ann De Guzman.

The project will operate under the Office of the Vice President for Research, Innovation, Technology and Extension, headed by Assistant Prof. Leonel C. Mendoza, in coordination with the Office of Innovation. (jdtdc)

Project MOSES earns third place in National SRT competition

Project MOSES powered by GENESIS of Mindoro State University (MinSU) secured third place in the 6th Socially Relevant Technologies (SRT) Competition of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL), placing among the Top Five national finalists in the Professional Category.

The project competed against 31 entries in the category and was the only technology from an academic institution among the finalists, alongside innovations from established private companies.

Under the theme "AI-Driven Green and Inclusive Technologies for Climate-Resilient Filipino Communities," the competition recognized technologies addressing pressing challenges through innovation. Project MOSES, developed to support intelligent weather monitoring and data-driven decision-making, is being further advanced toward AI integration and smarter data analytics.



The recognition puts MinSU-developed technology on a national platform and highlights the potential of homegrown research to move beyond the university and address real-world community needs. The achievement also reflects the continued support of the MinSU RITE Office, DOST Oriental Mindoro, DOST MIMAROPA, and partner agencies in developing and promoting the technology.

For Project MOSES, the third-place finish is not the endpoint—it marks another step toward turning research and technology into tools that can help communities better prepare for a changing climate.

(kpic/jm)



MinSU, partners join efforts to make development data more responsive to IP communities

Government agencies, academe, and civil society organizations are strengthening cooperation on data and research to support Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples (ICCs/IPs) in MIMAROPA.

The Pampamayanang Mangyan Ugnayan, Inc. (PMUI) led a coordination meeting on September 21 at the Mindoro State University (MinSU) Calapan Campus with the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) MIMAROPA, Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), and MinSU.

Participants highlighted the need for reliable, disaggregated and culturally responsive data to better understand the conditions of Indigenous communities, including development gaps and access to basic services.

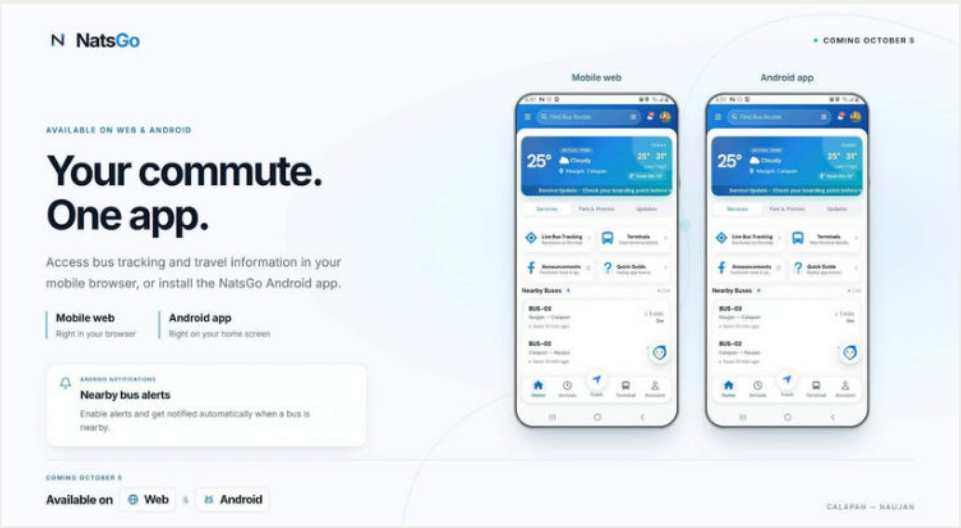
PMUI, spearheaded by Ms. Juvelyn M. Gumal-in, Executive Director, facilitated the meeting. MinSU was represented by Mr. Leonel C. Mendoza, OIC-Vice President for Research, Innovation, Technology and Extension, and Dr. Franie M. Afable, Executive Director of the MinSU Calapan Campus.

The participating institutions agreed to contribute within their respective mandates in strengthening data generation, research, capacity building and community engagement.

For MinSU, the collaboration provides an avenue to link research and community engagement with development planning, particularly in addressing concerns affecting Indigenous communities.

The initiative also seeks to strengthen cooperation among government agencies, academe, civil society and Indigenous Peoples' organizations toward establishing MIMAROPA as a center for Indigenous Peoples' data, knowledge and research. (jdtdc)

4th Year IT students innovate NatsGo app designed to help Calapan-Naujan commuters



Real innovations don't just stop at being invented. They are tested through its impact on the community.

Fourth Year BSIT students from MinSU Calapan Campus proved that ingenuity can solve community challenges through their invention of NatsGo, a mobile app to track real-time routes and arrival times of NATSCO (Naujan Transport Service Cooperative) modernized PUVs.

Their innovation aims to solve a crucial everyday challenge of catching the ride on time, not just for students, but for other citizens as well.

To better assist in the app navigation, users can be assisted by Nori, the in-app assistant powered by AI, that helps provide the data on terminals, PUV routes and locations and estimated time of arrival. Users can also receive notifications when the ride is within their location. In turn, NATSCO PUVs can also use the app to post advisories and traffic announcements relative to their routes.

NATSGO, an IoT-Enabled Tracking and Alert System for NATSCO's Modernized PUVs in Oriental Mindoro, was designed as a capstone project by Vincent Niño B. Acha, Von Lester C. Bacay, and Marjorie N. Canubas, under the supervision of their adviser, Engr. Jesus M. Bautista.

NatsGo will officially be launched on October 5, 2026 where GPS (Global Positioning System) and IoT (Internet of Things) devices shall be installed on NATSCO modern PUVs. (kpic)

MinSU students bring Philippine tech solutions to Vietnam business challenge



HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam — Three students from Mindoro State University (MinSU) represented the Philippines in the UNIIC Business Challenge 2026, an international entrepreneurship competition held from August 18-20, 2026 at Hung Vuong University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

Competing in the "Harnessing New Technology" category were Jefferson Velasco, a fourth-year Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering student; Mike Jayson Ordonio, a fourth-year Information Technology student; and Lalaine G. Dinglasan, an Agriculture student. The team was mentored by Engr. Randy A. Joco, Director for Innovation, and Dr. Jerrel S. Reyes, Director of External Linkages and International Affairs and Campus Executive Director of Victoria Campus.



On August 19, Engr. Reyes and Engr. Joco joined academic leaders from UNIIC member universities across Asia and South Africa for the consortium's monthly meeting at DHV, where members reviewed ongoing collaborations and upcoming programs, including the UNIIC Ideation Sprint: Research to Impact Challenge 2027, Hackfest 2027 in India, and the ASIP Conference in Indonesia. The meeting also covered the Business Challenge's judging criteria and panel of judges.

MinSU currently has three ongoing research collaborations with UNIIC member institutions, including one project titled FARMIQ: Futuristic Agriculture Resource Management and Intelligent Quantification spearheaded by the University.

The participation forms part of MinSU's efforts to expand international partnerships and provide opportunities for students and researchers to engage in global academic, research and innovation initiatives. (jdtdc)

MinSU presents banana disease study at Malaysia agriculture congress



Mindoro State University (MinSU) presented its research on a potential bio-coating for banana disease management at an international agriculture conference in Malacca, Malaysia.

Dr. Jerrel S. Reyes, Director for External Linkages and International Affairs, represented the University at the 10th International Agriculture Congress and 25th Biennial Conference and General Assembly of the Asian Association of Agricultural Colleges and Universities (AAACU) held September 8–10, 2026 at the Courtyard by Marriott Melaka.

With the theme "Frontier Technologies for Agriculture Resilience and Food Security," the conference gathered researchers, academicians, policymakers, and agricultural practitioners to discuss emerging technologies and research addressing climate change, food security, and sustainable agriculture.

Dr. Reyes presented the thesis study "Biosynthesis of Copper Oxide Nanoparticles Using Turkey Berry (Solanum torvum) Root Extract as a Potential Bio-Coating Against Colletotrichum musae in Señorita Banana (Musa acuminata) Cultivar" authored by Dianne D. De Castro, Richell Monaliz O. Roxas, Engr. Randy A. Joco, Roxanne M. Fabriquel, Dr. Reyes and Engr. John John M. Bidon.

The study explores the potential use of turkey berry root extract in producing copper oxide nanoparticles as a bio-coating against Colletotrichum musae, a fungal pathogen affecting bananas.

Dr. Reyes also represented MinSU during the AAACU General Assembly, which included the presentation of the association's accomplishments and plans, as well as the election and oath-taking of its new officers and board members.

The activity also included study visits to a Malaysian Rubber Board plantation and research area and a fig plantation, where participants observed rubber production, greenhouse management, and postharvest processing. (jsr/jdtdc)





MinSU rises to 624th globally, remains no. 1 in MIMAROPA in 2026 UI GreenMetric rankings

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The latest ranking marks a significant improvement from MinSU's 706th global position in 2025, representing an advance of 82 places in the worldwide ranking.

MinSU also improved its national standing, moving from 31st to 28th among 130 participating Philippine higher education institutions. It likewise retained its position as the top-ranked university in the MIMAROPA region.

The results reflect the University's continuing efforts to integrate sustainability into its institutional operations, infrastructure, education, research, and community engagement.

The UI GreenMetric Sustainable World University Rankings, initiated by Universitas Indonesia, assesses universities based on their sustainability practices and commitments across areas such as setting and infrastructure, energy and climate change, waste, water, transportation, and education and research.

For Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, the latest result represents the realization of a goal identified early in her LIFTMINSU development goals.

> **Isa talaga ito sa pinangarap ko simula pa lang ng Presidential Forum, that is why, nakalagay ito sa LIFTMINSU development goal. At nakakatuwa na napasama tayo dito and for two consecutive years ay No. 1 tayo sa MIMAROPA at patuloy na nag-i-improve nationwide and worldwide.**
>
> **DR. ENYA MARIE D. APOSTOL**
> University President

The University's progress also comes as it expands its participation in global university rankings and international assessment platforms as part of its broader drive to strengthen its global visibility and institutional performance.

MinSU steps up global ranking efforts, internationalization drive via FLAIR Masterclass

Mindoro State University (MinSU) is stepping up its drive for global recognition, joining higher education institutions in the National Capital Region and Southern Luzon at a Commission on Higher Education (CHED) masterclass on international reputation held Sept. 22–23 in Laurel, Batangas.

Organized by the Commission on Higher Education-International Affairs Service, the two-day masterclass focused on strategies for improving internationalization, global competitiveness and institutional reputation.

Representing MinSU were Dr. Melanie A. Tolentino, head of the Cross Border Internationalization Unit; Antonette H. Dudas, head of the Global and Local Partnerships Unit; and Jezell D.T. dela Cruz, head of the Global Rankings and International Accreditation Unit.

Discussions covered international ranking systems, including the World University Rankings for Innovation (WURI), Times Higher Education (THE) and Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), while workshops provided practical guidance on ranking applications, evidence gathering and submissions. Participating institutions also signed a Pledge of Commitment to advancing internationalization and the global visibility of Philippine higher education.

MinSU began more systematic participation in global rankings in 2024, joining platforms such as THE, WURI and UI GreenMetric. The University now uses these assessments not only to track its global standing but also to identify areas for institutional improvement.

The FLAIR Masterclass further supports coordination among MinSU offices handling internationalization, research, planning, quality assurance, institutional data and global rankings as the University continues to expand its presence in the international higher education community. (jdtdc)



From 706th globally in 2025 to 624th in 2026, MinSU's latest UI GreenMetric result adds to its growing presence in international rankings while maintaining its leadership position within MIMAROPA.

The University continues to pursue sustainability as an integral part of its institutional development, aligning its initiatives with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and its broader vision of becoming the Region's University of Choice. (jdtdc)

Two MinSU academic programs earn renewed AACCUP accreditation



Two academic programs of Mindoro State University (MinSU) earned renewed accreditation from the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACCUP).

The Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management (BSHM) program of the Bongabong Campus received Level IV Reaccredited status valid until May 15, 2031, while the Bachelor of Arts in English Language (ABEL) program of the Victoria Campus earned Level II Re-accredited status valid until May 15, 2030.

The recognition followed online accreditation surveys in May 2026 covering the programs' academic systems, research, community engagement, graduate performance, partnerships, and planning processes. (jdtdc)

Committed to better service: ARTA assesses MinSU frontline offices to strengthen public service





The Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) Southern Luzon Regional Field Office inspected the frontline offices of Mindoro State University (MinSU) on July 7, 2026, to assess service delivery and compliance with Republic Act No. 11032, or the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act.
The inspection covered the Registrar's, Admissions and Scholarship, Records, Human Resource Management, Clinic, Library, and Guidance offices at the MinSU Victoria (Main) Campus.

Led by Supervising Administrative Officer Andrea Mikhaela D. Zantua, the ARTA team assessed service delivery and client assistance mechanisms and presented its findings and recommendations to University officials and frontline office heads.

Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, welcomed the assessment as an opportunity to improve institutional services.

"We welcome this activity, knowing you will not criticize us but rather help us improve the services we offer to our clients," Dr. Apostol said.

She also expressed support for ARTA's Student Movement, which promotes good governance, transparency, accountability, integrity, and citizen-centered public service among young people.

The activity forms part of ARTA's efforts to help government institutions strengthen efficient, accessible, and responsive public services. (jdtdc)



MFSC elects new officers, Sotto named Student Regent

The MinSCAT Federation of Student Councils (MFSC) elected its new set of officers on September 30, 2026, with MinSU Calapan Campus University Student Government (USG) President Hon. Romee Estephanie Sotto named chairperson and Student Regent.

Sotto was chosen through a draw after two consecutive ties with John Angel Fritz Baylon, USG President of the Main Campus, and Almond Sarmiento, USG President of the Bongabong Campus.

The newly elected MFSC officers, representing the three campus student governments, will work together to address student concerns and strengthen coordination and representation across the University.

In her message, Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, reminded the newly elected leaders that leadership is not an entitlement but a responsibility that calls for service, accountability, and commitment to the students they represent.

The officers subsequently took their oath of office, formally beginning their term.

As MFSC chairperson, Sotto will also serve as the Student Regent, representing the University's student body in the MinSU Board of Regents. (marm)

MBC 62ND ANNIVERSARY

MinSU Bongabong marks 62nd founding anniversary with wellness, camaraderie

Six decades of history, service and shared memories were highlighted as the Mindoro State University Bongabong Campus (MBC) marked its 62nd founding anniversary on September 21, 2026.

The celebration traced the campus' journey from its beginnings as the Bongabong School of Fisheries on September 21, 1964, which later became the Bongabong College of Fisheries before its integration into the Mindoro State College of Agriculture and Technology (MinSCAT) in 2001. It is now one of the three campuses of Mindoro State University (MinSU).

The anniversary opened with a thanksgiving Mass officiated by Rev. Fr. Danilo A. Bayalas, SVD.

A Health and Wellness Seminar on Stress Management was also held, with Ms. Paula S. Mercene, retired Associate Professor IV and former Deputy Director for Sports and Wellness, sharing practical approaches to managing stress and maintaining a positive outlook.




Photo | The Sea Hunter

Students and employees later took part in interactive activities, including a community dance joined by Tarik, MinSU's official mascot.

The campus also launched the Theme Song Writing Competition for MinSU's sixth anniversary as a university, which MBC will host on March 16, 2027.

The celebration continued with the MinSUlympics, where students and faculty members competed in various games organized by the MBC University Student Government.

It culminated in a Gala Night, bringing together faculty, staff, students, alumni and guests in an evening of celebration and gratitude. Beyond the festivities, the event honored employees and milestones that have shaped the campus through the years.

Outstanding employees were recognized for their dedication and contributions to the campus, while the evening also featured a Cotillon de Honor.

The MBC community likewise recognized Ms. Rhea B. de Guzman, Director for Heritage, Culture and Arts, following her recognition as Natatanging Tourism Program Implementer and recipient of the Gawad MAHAL TANA: Local Tourism Stakeholders Excellence Award. (kpic)



Meet Tarik

THE NEW FACE OF MINDORO STATE UNIVERSITY



Introduced through the initiative of Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, **Tarik** is MinSU's new university-wide character—bringing the University closer to its students, people, and communities.
Inspired by the Mindoro Hornbill *(Penelopides mindorensis)*, an endemic bird also observed at the MinSU Main Campus, Tarik is deeply rooted in Mindoro. Its name comes from the bird's distinctive "tar-ic-tic" call.

More than a mascot, Tarik brings the MinSU identity to life—from sports and celebrations to academic, research, and community activities.

With a gender-neutral and inclusive identity, Tarik is designed to be a familiar presence for everyone in the MinSU community.

Rooted in Mindoro. Made for MinSU.

This is Tarik—the new face of MinSU. (marm)

MinSU assists students, employees stranded by Habagat

Mindoro State University (MinSU) provided temporary shelter, basic necessities and free transportation to students stranded on campus as heavy rains brought by the southwest monsoon or Habagat affected parts of Oriental Mindoro on August 18, 2026.

At the MinSU - Calapan Campus, stranded students were accommodated at the College of Business Management Hostel following the suspension of classes amid unfavorable weather conditions.

The University administration, led by Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President, in coordination with the University Student Government (USG) and Mr. Joel Dela Cruz, Deputy Director for Crisis Management, Safety, and Resilience (CMSR), provided the students with essential needs, including food, clothing and hygiene kits.

The University also implemented a Libreng Sakay initiative to help students stranded on campus safely return home following the suspension of classes.

Meanwhile, similar assistance was extended at the MinSU - Victoria (Main) Campus, where the administration, in partnership with the USG Main Campus, also facilitated free rides for stranded students.

Meanwhile, Mr. Edgardo S. Agoncillo, Director for Production and Physical Facilities, Ms. Elisa M. Agoncillo, Director for Extension and Ms. Zea Fiel M. Sigue, HRMO IV sponsored and served hot lugaw to employees and students as well as dormers who remained on campus.

These measures were part of MinSU's response to ensure the safety and immediate needs of students and employees affected by the weather disturbance. *(contributed article via jdtdc & builders pandayan)*











MinSU brings PhilHealth services closer to students, personnel

Students and personnel of Mindoro State University (MinSU) Victoria Campus no longer had to travel to a PhilHealth office to register, update their membership records, or learn about available health benefits after the PhilHealth Regional Office IV-B Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO) Oriental Mindoro brought its services directly to the campus on August 3, 2026.

The activity included an orientation on the YAKAP (Yaman ng Kalusugan Program), along with on-site registration and updating of Member Data Records (MDR), providing the MinSU community with easier access to PhilHealth services within the campus.

Mr. Ruel Caringal, Social Insurance Assistant I and Information and Marketing Officer of PhilHealth LHIO Oriental Mindoro, led the YAKAP orientation, discussing the program's objectives, available benefits, and the procedures for registration and availment.

Caringal said registered PhilHealth members may avail of YAKAP after registering through the eGov App or with assistance from PhilHealth offices. Benefits include consultations with accredited YAKAP providers, laboratory and diagnostic tests based on the assessment of a YAKAP doctor, and free medicines under the PhilHealth GAMOT Program.

Following the orientation, the PhilHealth team conducted on-site registration and MDR updating at the Audio-Visual Room of the Victoria Campus, led by PhilHealth Provincial Head Ms. Ma. Neresa C. Reganit, RN, MBA. Within the one-day activity, applications were processed, with newly registered students receiving their PhilHealth IDs and members who updated their information receiving their updated MDRs.

Bringing the services directly to the campus made PhilHealth registration and membership updating more accessible and convenient for the MinSU community, while helping students and personnel better understand the health benefits available to them.

Following the Victoria Campus activity, PhilHealth also scheduled similar YAKAP orientation and registration activities at the MinSU Bongabong Campus on August 10 and the MinSU Calapan City Campus on August 17, extending the initiative to more members of the university community. (kpic)

MinSU, LGU Victoria pursue free ride program for student-commuters



Mindoro State University (MinSU) and the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Victoria are working to establish a free transportation program for students of the MinSU Victoria (Main) Campus.

The proposed Ruta para sa Victoreñong Iskolar (RVI) will provide free rides for students traveling to and from the campus, helping ease their daily transportation expenses.

Hon. Richard V. Inciong, LGU Victoria Municipal Mayor, announced the initiative during his State of the Town Address on September 18, 2026, as the municipality marked its 73rd Founding Anniversary.

MinSU and the LGU are now coordinating the necessary preparations for the program's implementation.

The initiative highlights the continuing partnership between the university and the local government in supporting students and making access to education more affordable and convenient.

MinSU Victoria (Main) Campus also joined the municipality's anniversary activities, including the parade, Araw ng Pasasalamat Opening Program, and AgriTrade Fair.

The University remains committed to working with local government partners on initiatives that respond to community needs and advance opportunities for Mindoreño students. (jdtdc)

101 bags of blood collected in MinSU Main Campus annual drive



For some, it was just a few minutes of their day. For someone else, it could mean another chance at life.

The Mindoro State University (MinSU) Main Campus community collected 101 bags of blood during its annual bloodletting activity on September 30, bringing together faculty members, employees, students and nearby residents in an effort to help replenish the local blood supply.

Among the regular donors was Esperanza A. Maminta, University Registrar. who has been donating blood since 2019.



“Simula 2019, regular na akong nagdo-donate ng dugo kasi maganda sa katawan natin,” Ms. Maminta said, adding that donating blood is also a way of helping people who need transfusions.

“Malaking tulong ito sa mga nangangailangan,” she said.

Held at the MinSU Main Campus University Auditorium, the activity was organized by the university’s Women, Gender and Development (WGAD) Office in partnership with the Oriental Mindoro Blood Council.

MinSU has been conducting regular university-wide bloodletting drives to promote voluntary blood donation and community involvement.

The continuing initiative was among the university’s public health efforts recognized with the Masigasig Award during the Exemplary Public Health Services Awarding Ceremony in 2024.

The university conducts the bloodletting activities in partnership with the Oriental Mindoro Blood Council and the Provincial Health Office.

The blood donation campaign will continue in October, with separate bloodletting activities scheduled at the MinSU Calapan Campus and Bongabong Campus. (jdtdc)

MinSU MPA students help LGU Naujan boost PRIME-HRM readiness





Students of the Master in Public Administration (MPA) program of Mindoro State University (MinSU) Graduate School partnered with the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Naujan to strengthen its readiness for the Program to Institutionalize Meritocracy and Excellence in Human Resource Management (PRIME-HRM) through the GOV-ENGAGE capacity-building activity on August 6, 2026.

Held at the Naujan Municipal Hall, the activity focused on strengthening the competencies of LGU employees in human resource management, particularly in recruitment, selection, and placement (RSP), while helping the LGU identify gaps in its PRIME-HRM requirements.
Dir. Ma. Theresa R. Poblador of the Civil Service Commission Field Office–Oriental Mindoro led the PRIME-HRM orientation, covering its objectives, implementation process, and incentives for government agencies.

Mr. Jayvee G. Menguito of the Department of Economy, Planning and Development (DEPDev) MIMAROPA Regional Office shared best practices in RSP and facilitated a baseline assessment of the LGU’s HR system, including a review of PRIME-HRM evidence and documentation requirements.

The activity underscored the value of academe-LGU collaboration in strengthening human resource systems and promoting meritocracy and professionalism in public service.
GOV-ENGAGE is the second rollout of the MPA program’s extension initiative after its implementation in LGU Bansud in June.

The initiative forms part of Program CONNECT, the umbrella extension project of MinSU Graduate Studies led by Dean Dr. Alice R. Ramos, which brings academic expertise closer to communities and government institutions through targeted extension programs. (kpic)

KAINANG PAMILYA
Mahalaga Day

Some of the most meaningful moments begin around a shared table.

For Filipino families, sharing a meal goes beyond food. It is a chance to catch up, exchange stories and laughter, give thanks, and simply enjoy each other's company.

This spirit was felt across the Mindoro State University (MinSU) community as it marked Family Day and Kainang Pamilya Mahalaga Day on September 28, 2026, bringing employees together through shared meals and simple activities.

At the Victoria (Main) Campus, the celebration opened with a Holy Mass officiated by Rev. Fr. Matthew M. Marasigan, followed by a potluck where offices brought food to share.

During the convocation, Dr. Enya Marie D. Apostol, University President invited employees to gather around the table before heading home to their own families.

"Bago tayo umuwi sa kanya-kanyang pamilya, magsasalo-salo muna tayo rito at pagsasaluhan ang mga munting ambag ng bawat isa. Sapagkat ang MinSU ay tahanan din natin – and tayong lahat ang bumubuo sa pamilyang ito," Dr. Apostol said.











At the Calapan Campus, employees likewise brought food to share and gathered for a simple feast. The celebration continued with a Zumba session at the Administration Building lobby, where employees danced, laughed and enjoyed a break from their usual routines.

The Bongabong Campus held a community lunch at the MBC Mini Hostel, with employees contributing food for the table. What began as a simple meal became an afternoon of conversation and camaraderie.

Across the three campuses, the celebration showed how a shared meal can bring people closer. With everyone contributing what they could, the MinSU community found another reason to sit together, share a meal and celebrate being part of one family.

Kainang Pamilya Mahalaga Day is observed pursuant to Proclamation No. 60, s. 2018, which declared the last Monday of September every year as a special occasion to promote the importance of family mealtime in strengthening family relationships and fostering closer bonds among family members. (jdtdc)

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