

SUSTAINABLE SHARED GROWTH SEMINAR #21

**Sustaining the Growths and Gains of
Research Development Extension**



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DAY 1, January 6, 2017

Ben Palispis Hall, Benguet Capitol Building

TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00-9:00	Registration and Billeting
9:01-9:30	Preliminaries and Opening Program Invocation Singing of the National Anthem Introduction of Participants and Guests Welcome Remarks - Hon. Crescencio Pacalso, Provincial Governor-Benguet Intermission - Mr. Jaymor Chanao & Group
9:31-9:45	Break/Snacks
9:46-10:15	Brief Orientation on SGRA: It's VMGO & Updates Dr. Ferdinand "Max" Maquito, Philippine Representative AISF/SGRA
10:16-10:45	Organic Farming Practices in Benguet Province: Tublay Perspective By Eng'r. Jeffrey Sotero, Municipal Agriculturist-Tublay, Benguet
10:46-11:15	Strawberry Industry in Benguet Province: La Trinidad Experience By Ms. Felicitas Dosdos Ticbaen, Municipal Agriculturist, La Trinidad, Benguet
11:16-11:45	Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Program and Experience In Kapangan, Benguet By Hon. Manny E. Fermin, Mr. Erick Abangley and Engr. Winston Pelaez
11:46-12:00	Interactions and Q&A
12:01-1:30	Lunch Break
1:31-2:00	Rewarding Upland People for Environmental Services (RUPES) By Ms. Adela S. Damaso, DAR-Apayao
2:01-Onwards	Round Table Discussions Dr. Max Maquito, Facilitator Closing Remarks Hon. Roberto K. Canuto Board Member, Benguet Province
	EMCEE/FACILITATORS: Jane/Adel

DAY 2, January 7, 2017 AGRI-TOURISM TREK

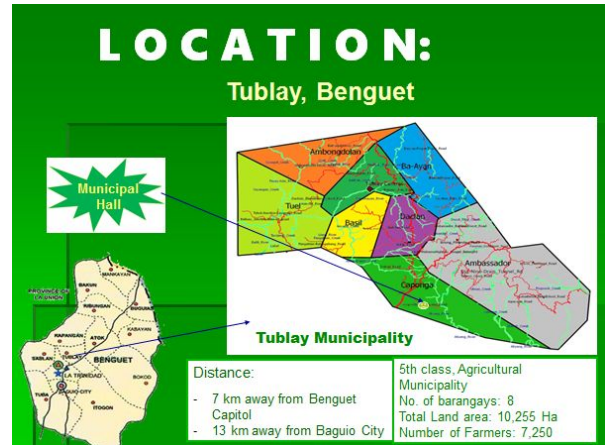
TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00AM	Courtesy Call (Mayor R. Salda of La Trinidad, Benguet)
8:30AM	Benguet APTC passing through Strawberry Fields
12:00NN	Lily of the Valley Farm

PRESENTATION 1

Organic Farming Practices in Benguet Province: Tublay Perspective

By Mr. Jeffrey Sotero

Municipal Agriculturist-Tublay, Benguet



Outline of Presentation

1. Introduction / Background

a. Location

b. Key Issues

- Low agricultural productivity and competitiveness
- Unfixed marketing system
- Low farmer's income
- Climate change

c. Vision, Mission, Goals

- Vision: a countryside agri-tourism haven municipality, home of God-loving, industrious, and resilient people living a quality life in a sound environment under an effective and excellent governance
- Mission: Commit to a sustainable agriculture and sound environmental development that will promote culture sensitive tourism through the provision of pro-active, responsive services and programs within the framework of participatory, transparent and accountable governance
- Goals
 - To promote organic agriculture and other sustainable farming systems geared towards higher productivity;
 - To ensure food security and safety;
 - To practice appropriate marketing system desirable both for farmers and consumers
 - To uplift socio-economic status of farmers
 - To adapt and mitigate with the effects of climate change across agriculture sector

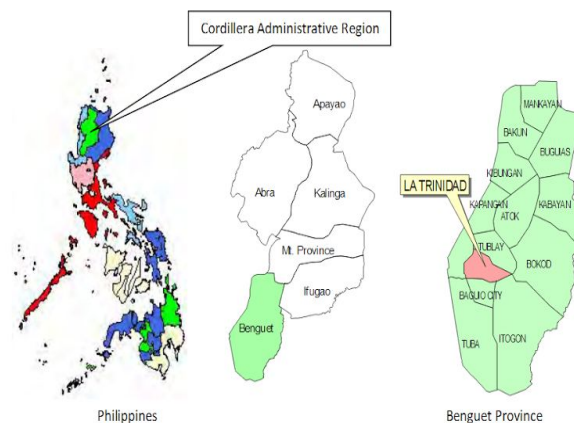
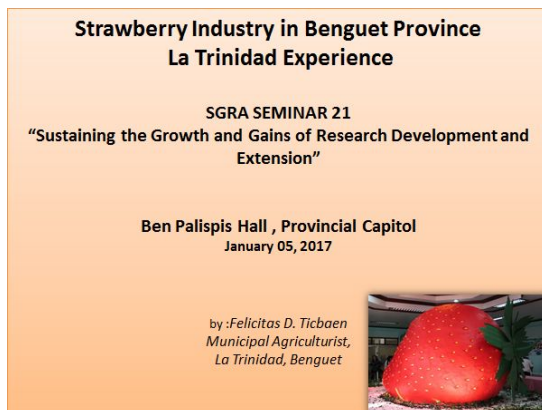
2. Conceptual Development Framework
3. Some Programs and Projects on Organic Agriculture
4. Gains and Benefits from Organic Agriculture

PRESENTATION 2

Strawberry Industry in Benguet Province: La Trinidad Experience

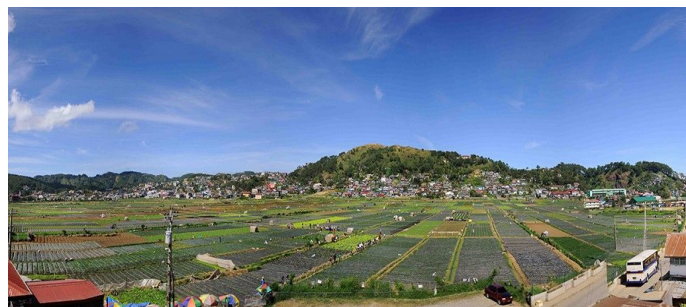
By Ms. Felicitas Dosdos Ticbaen

Municipal Agriculturist, La Trinidad, Benguet



Outline of Presentation

1. An Introduction of La Trinidad, a Municipality of Benguet : Salad Bowl of the Philippines
2. Strawberry production , farm practices and challenge
3. Extension delivery and researches conducted in support to the development of the strawberry industry (Production, marketing and promotion)





Benguet Agri-Pinoy Trading Center (BAPTC)

4. Strawberry Industry Fostering Culture , Arts and Tourism.

PRESENTATION 3

Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Program and Experience In Kapangan, Benguet

By Hon. Manny E. Fermin, Mr. Erick Abangley and Engr. Winston Palaez

Map 1 _ Location of Map of Kapangan



Outline of Presentation

1. Overview of Kapangan
2. Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (MDRRM) Composition and Function
3. Sources of Funds
4. Kapangan DRRM
 - a. Disaster Prevention and Mitigation
 - b. Disaster Preparedness
 - c. Disaster Response
 - d. Disaster Rehabilitation and Recovery
5. Operations

DRRM IS EVERYBODY'S CONCERN. IT IS THEN A CHALLENGE TO ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS TO HELP EACH OTHER TO BECOME RESILIENT COMMUNITY.

PRESENTATION 4

Rewarding Upland People for Environmental Services (RUPES)

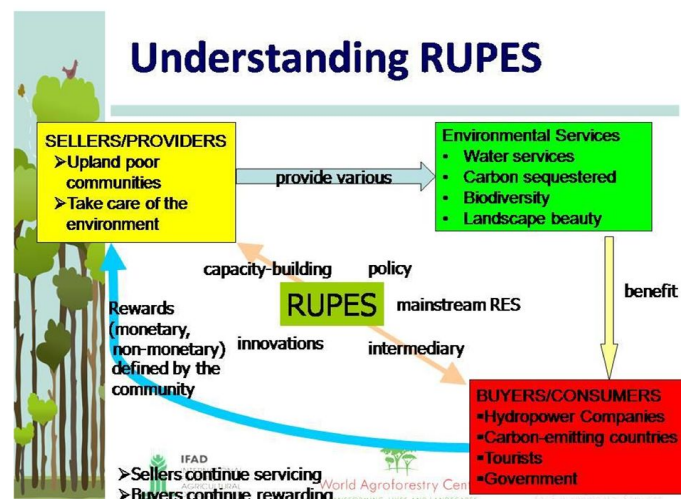
By Ms. Adela S. Damaso

DAR-Apayao



Outline of Presentation

1. Bakun RUPES Pilot Site¹
2. What is RUPES
3. RUPES Components
4. Goal
 - a. Provide simple and practical examples of innovative institutional arrangements and reward mechanisms
 - b. To foster local development (poverty reduction), while preserving and restoring the environment
5. Evergreen Agriculture on Slopes
6. Challenges in the Uplands



¹ Pioneer in setting up an actual system for rewarding for environmental services

Reflections by Dr. Max Maquito

For God, country, and region. This was the tone by which the 21st SGRA Sustainable Shared Growth Seminar began: an opening prayer, the Philippine national anthem, and a tribal dance, with

audience participation, by the young representing different parts of the Cordillera Administrative Region (about 4 hours by car, north of Metro Manila). We appreciated very much the warm welcome!



KKK Seminar 21 was the first seminar that SGRA Philippines held under the new format, wherein there is a very high level of focus on the KKK Research & Advocacy of a member of the Organizing Committee (OC) of SGRA Philippines. For this seminar, the lead OC member was Dr. Jane Toribio (shown at left) of the Department of Agrarian Reform, who prepared a two-day program for the seminar, under the theme "Sustaining the Growth and Gains of Research Development and Extension", and also acted as the main moderator of the 1st day, and coordinator of the 2nd day of the seminar.

The first day of the seminar (January 6, 2017) was held at the Ben Palispis Hall of the Provincial Capitol Building in La

Trinidad, Benguet. About 60 persons were participating. The welcome speech was given by Honorable Crescencio Pacalso (shown at right), Provincial Governor of Benguet, who also joined us in the audience participation portion of the tribal dance, and pointed out that the dance was actually a petition for blessing the two-day seminar. Unfortunately, the governor had to leave early in the seminar due to other engagements, but his Executive Assistant Mrs. Jeanira C. Okubo, Executive Assistant to the Governor stayed on and shared with us her profound insights during the seminar.

The governor's speech was followed by my orientation on the Vision, Mission, Goal, and Objective of SGRA Philippines. I explained the new format of the KKK seminars, and our emphasis on "walking the talk" so that research could be used for policy recommendations or to change society for the better. I also talked briefly about upcoming KKK seminars, Atsumi International



Foundation, and the Asia Future Conferences, past and future, and invited the participants to join in future activities.

The 1st of four presentations was given by Engr. Jeffrey Sotero, Municipal Agriculturist of Tublay, Benguet on "Organic Farming Practices in Benguet Province: A Tublay Perspective". Particularly interesting was the process of dissipation of organic farming and a financial comparison of conventional and organic farming.

The 2nd presentation was given by Ms. Felicitas Dosdos Ticbaen, Municipal Agriculturist of La Trinidad, Benguet on "Strawberry Industry in Benguet Province: the La Trinidad Experience". Particularly interesting was how the strawberry farmers were able to adapt Japanese technology to local conditions, and the use a locally grown plant, ponsetia, instead of importing a predatory species of mites, to control destructive mites.

The 3rd presentation was given by His Honor Manny Fermin, Mayor of Kapangan, Benguet and Mr. Erick Abangley on "Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) Program and Experience in Kapangan, Benguet". They shared their experience of developing community-based DRRM schemes under increasing environmental stress, most likely due to climate change, and scarce resources.

The 4th presentation was given by Ms. Adela Damaso, of the Department of Agrarian Reform on "Rewarding Upland People for Environmental Services (RUPES)". It was interesting to hear about the pioneering efforts of Bakun to introduce a RUPES mechanism, whereby the upstream folks were paid by downstream hydropower companies for ensuring a good flow of water.

After a short break, the tables were reconfigured in square fashion for the roundtable discussions, which took about one hour and a half, and retraced the points in the presentations. SGRA PH OC member Dr. Tony Mateo actively participated in the discussions, and gained a lot of interest from the other participants. I pointed out that we will be organizing another SGRA KKK seminar in May on this year focusing on Dr. Tony Mateo's research and advocacy on integrated water systems. One point of interest raised in the discussions was the need from the presenter's side to engage the OC members in research on issues. I, for one, welcome this opportunity and plan to continue my engagement with Benguet province.

Board Member of Benguet, Honorable Roberto Canuto, who has been very supportive of Dr. Jane's KKK initiatives, gave the closing remarks, emphasizing the importance of sustaining research and extension (sharing the fruits of the research with the farmers), and expressed his interest in working more closely with SGRA in the future.

On the second day of the seminar, January 7th (Saturday), the OC members and three friends, went on an agri-tourism spree. This was interspersed with a visit to the newly constructed Benguet Agro-Pinoy Trade Center (BAPTC), where we were greeted by La Trinidad, Benguet Mayor Romeo Salda and BAPTC and Prof. Salda, detailed as President of BAPTC from the Benguet State University. The two important persons actually symbolize the interesting scheme of managing BAPTC: a collaboration between academe and the local government unit. We learned that the scheme is under study of how to transfer the trading center to BAPTC from the old trading post, where we also bought a lot of farmer produce. The good mayor forgot to bring the key to the province, but told us that we were very much welcome to visit again, and expressed interest in the integrated water system KKK seminar in May.

Organic agriculture is an integral component of the KKK Research and Advocacy of Dr. Jane Toribio in her region of Benguet. In previous KKK seminars, I have noted that: organic agriculture could be so efficient as to be competitive with conventional agriculture; organic agriculture is more accommodating to small farmers; and organic agriculture could be more environmentally friendly. We wish Dr. Jane and her team more power, and stand ready to support her in any way possible. The logo of Dr. Jane's group is shown at right.



DR. JANE'S
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(DAY 1)**



**FACING AWAY
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BUILDING (DAY 1)**



**STRAWBERRY
FIELDS MANAGED
BY BENGUET
STATE UNIVERSITY
AND THEIR
INCUBATOR
FARMERS
(DAY 2)**



**LUNCH AND ORGANIC
FARMING TOUR AT
LILY OF THE VALLEY
(DAY 2)**



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