

# Philippine Textiles in Norway, Iceland 12 June 2024, Oslo, Norway | 15 June 2024, Reykjavik, Iceland

Natural Textile Fibers (NTFs) took center stage in a Fashion Show during the Diplomatic Reception in celebration of the 126th Philippine Independence Day in Oslo, Norway hosted by the Philippine Embassy in Oslo, Norway, and the 25th Anniversary of the Philippines-Iceland Bilateral Relations in Reykjavik, Iceland. The event showcased sustainable fashion creations by designers Mayeth S. Codoy and Sabrina Saberhagen, featuring fabrics made from pineapple, bamboo, banana, and abaca fibers developed by the Department of Science and Technology -Philippine Textile Research Institute (DOST-PTRI).

The partnership between DOST-PTRI and Norwegian stakeholders began with a technology exchange initiative. Philippine delegates visited Norway and underwent immersive training on the recently acquired Digital Jacquard Loom, developed by Tronrud Engineering Moss - a Norwegian Company specializing in automation solutions.



### 20 Bagobo - Tagabawa Women undergo Natural Dyes Trainina

18-19 June 2024, Bamboo Sanctuary and Ecological Park, Barangay Malagos, Davao City.

Twenty (20) members of the Bagobo Tagabawa Tribal Council, a community with deep historical roots tracing back to the early settlers who brought Hinduism to Mindanao, successfully completed a two-day training on the extraction and application of natural dyes from June 18 to 19, 2024 at the Bamboo Sanctuary and Ecological Park in Barangay Malagos, Davao City.







comprehensive The training covered the entire process of natural dyeing, from treatment and mordanting of cotton yarns and fabrics to the natural extraction of dyes. Participants learned to extract dyes from a variety of local sources, including mahogany talisay leaves, barks, yellow ginger, annatto seeds, coconut husk.

## National Textile Standards Technical Committee revival sought

19 June 2024, Tela Gallery, DOST-PTRI Building, Bicutan, Taguig City





The DOST-PTRI, in partnership with the Department of Trade and Industry - Bureau of Philippine Standards (DTI-BPS), successfully organized the BPS Technical Committee Meeting on June 19, 2024. The primary goal of the meeting was to revive the BPS/TC18, a Technical Committee dedicated assisting stakeholders in achieving global competitiveness and promoting a culture of quality and safety through standards development, compliance, certification.



To achieve a comprehensive approach, the meeting identified key organizations to complete the seven-sector requirement. These sectors include Trade-Industry, Government, Research, Testing, Academe, Consumer Group, and Professional DOST-PTRI Association. is strategically positioned within the Research and Testing sectors, underscoring its vital role in advancing textile standards and innovation.

## JG Summit Olefins Corp, DOST-PTRI for Sustainable **Nonwovens Textiles**

18 June 2024, JGSOC Head Office, Ortigas, Pasig City

The DOST-PTRI and JG Summit Olefins Corporation (JGSOC) have formalized their partnership through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing held on June 18, 2024, at the JGSOC Head Office in Ortigas, Pasig City. The signing ceremony marks a milestone in the utilization of polymer materials in spunlaid nonwovens for high-performance applications such as filtration, agro-textiles, and geo-textiles.



Moreover, the signing of this MOA marks a key step in improving interagency collaboration, combining networks, expertise, and resources to boost local innovation capabilities. DOST-PTRI and JGSOC aim to lead the local nonwoven market by pursuing value-adding opportunities and partnerships. This collaboration will develop and deploy spunbond and meltblown nonwoven textiles in the market.

#### KatHABI Goes to New York!



For the first time ever, DOST-PTRI's KatHABI will shine on the international stage in the heart of one of the world's fashion capitals—New York!

Organized by DOST-PTRI, in partnership with the Philippine Consulate General in New York and Philippine Trade & Investment Center, New York, this event will showcase the latest innovations in textiles and garments made from blended natural textile fibers such as abaca, pineapple, bamboo, Philippine silk, and natural dyes. collections such as Haute Culture and Kawayarn by acclaimed American fashion designer Anthony Cruz Legarda, and the Spring and Summer Collection by award-winning fashion designer Avel Bacudio, will hit the runway.

# DOST USec for R&D presides over Mid-year Meeting

20 June 2024, Tela Gallery, DOST-PTRI Building, Bicutan, Taguig City

Dr. Leah J. Buendia, the Undersecretary for Research and Development of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), made a visit to the Institute on June 20, 2024.





DOST-PTRI highlighted various accomplishments demonstratina commitment to advancing **Philippine** textile industry. Looking forward, DOST-PTRI outlined its strategic plans programs for the remainder of 2024 and beyond. These focus on proposed major projects, ongoing STI interventions in other provinces and regions of the Philippines, and upcoming events activities of the Institute.

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