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52 schools meet in historic 1st GA, textile academy, consortium discussed

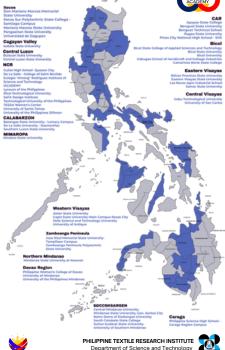
27 August 2024, TELA Gallery, DOST-PTRI, Bicutan, Taguig City



Fifty-two (52) educational institutions from across the nation convened to collaborate, innovate, and shape the future of textile, clothing, and fashion education in the Philippines through the first-ever National General Assembly spearheaded by the Institute. The event, held on 27 August 2024, provided a vital for leading institutions to discuss pressing issues and collaborate on shaping the future of textile science, fashion design, and innovation instruction. The GA delved

on fostering collaboration among institutions, sharing best practices, and developing strategies to enhance educational programs and industry relevance. This also underscored the growing importance of textile and fashion education in the Philippines, highlighting the sector's potential to drive economic growth and cultural advancement.

> Check out the map of the attendees of the 1st NGA!



DOT Secretary Christina Garcia Frasco during the Pamana Agham in Intramuros, Manilo

BPS/TC 18 Technical Committee on Textiles revived after years of dormancy

27 August 2024, TELA Gallery, DOST-PTRI, Bicutan, Taguig City

The Institute successfully hosted the first meeting of the Bureau of Philippine Standards (BPS) Technical Committee on Textiles, known as BPS/TC 18, on 27 August 2024. The revival of the technical committee supports the DOST-PTRI's initiatives in helping textile stakeholders achieve global competitiveness while promoting a culture of quality and safety through the development of standards, ensuring compliance, and providing certification. It also provides an avenue for experts to Philippine textile actively in international standardization programs and activities.





In the meeting, BPS/TC 18 was reorganized, resulting in the eventual formation of several new sub-committees (SC): SCI -Raw Materials, SC2-Production and Processing Systems, SC3-Finishing and Dyeing, SC4-Testing, Analysis, and Measurement, SC5-Handloom Weaving, and SC6-Apparels and Wearables. Dr. Julius L. Leaño, Jr., Director IV of DOST-PTRI, was elected Chairman of BPS TC18, with Matthew "Chuck" B. Lazaro, CEO of Asia Textile Mills Inc. & Ananas Anam Philippines, serving as Vice-Chairman.



DOST's Pamana Agham Showcases TextilePH in Intramuros

28 August 2024, Intramuros, Manila







The DOST-National Capital Region (DOST-NCR), with DOST-PTRI as a key partner, alongside the Intramuros Administration and Partnerships for Sustainability Education (PSE), successfully organized the Pamana Agham in its second year. A highlight of the event was the runway show called "Ang Pamanang Habi," which featured collections from Filipino-American fashion designer Anthony Cruz Legarda. His Kawayarn and Haute Culture collections drew inspiration from the Philippines' rich cultural heritage, incorporating local weaves and fabrics made from cotton, pineapple leaf, silk, abaca, and bamboo technology developed by the Institute. Additionally, llocano fashion designer Amor Albano presented the "Gamayo 100" collection, honoring Ilocano craftsmanship and the centenary of GAMABA awardee Magdalena Gamayo, a master weaver from Ilocos Norte renowned for her traditional "inabel" weaving skills. Department of Tourism Secretary Christina Garcia Frasco also attended the event to support the Smart and Sustainable Communities Program and Philippine tourism through advance innovative, science-based technologies.

SOX Textile Stakeholders immerse in Bamboo, Pineapple Textile Techs

29 August 2024, DOST-PTRI, Bicutan, Taguig City

Textile stakeholders from Region 12, including representatives from the Mahintana Foundation, Inc. and the Tibud sa Cooperative, conducted Multi-Purpose benchmarking visit to the Institute. The Mahintana Foundation is dedicated to community development through diverse projects, including agriculture and livelihoods, while the Tibudsa Katibawasan Cooperative works to enhance economic opportunities through local cooperative efforts. During the visit, the delegation expressed interest in the Institute's Bamboo Textiles PH Program, which focuses on creating sustainable textile solutions from bamboo fibers, and explored potential economic opportunities with pineapple fibers. The visit concluded with a tour of the Institute's Innovation Center for Yarns and Textiles (ICYT), where they observed the fiber-toyarn transformation process and the handloom machines utilized in textile production.







Roxas, OrMin's IP Weavers Level Weaving Skills thru CREATTEEVs

26-30 August 2024, Clarendon College Inc., Roxas, Oriental Mindoro







Twelve (12) Katutubong Mangyan weavers from Brgy. San Vicente, Roxas, Oriental Mindoro, have successfully completed a 5-day textile skills training workshop on Basic Handloom Weaving held from 26-30 August 2024. This training was organized by the Institute as part of the CREATTEEVs program, designed to promote equitable livelihood opportunities and advance local textile innovation training covered a range of essential topics, including thread preparation, loom setup, and intricate weaving patterns, providing participants with both theoretical knowledge and practical experience. Upon completion, each participant received a certificate of completion and a set of handloom weaving materials to support their continued development and implementation of the skills learned.

MinSU sits in Innovation Dialogue, gears up for Textile Innovation Hubs

29 August 2024, Mindoro State University (MinSU)-Bongabong Campus







On 29 August 2024, the Institute hosted an Innovation Dialogue at the Mindoro State University (MinSU)–Bongabong Campus as part of the preparations for the soon-to-be-launched Natural Textile Fiber Innovation Hub (NTFIH) on campus. The dialogue brought together university officials and faculty members, led by the Awati TI-KAPE Community Development Program team, to discuss the latest advancements and opportunities in the natural textile fiber sector. Participants discussed how the NTFIH could contribute to regional development and drive innovation in textile technology. Designed to advance the local textile industry, the NTFIH will support research, development, and commercialization of natural textile fibers. Its establishment is exp<mark>ect</mark>ed to boost economic growth and create new opportunities for Indigenous Peoples (IP) in the region.

Top 18 Finalists!

Innovation Dialogue Highlights New Center, **Boosting Mangyan** Weaver's 'Ramit' Fabric

29 August 2024, Clarendon College Cultural Center, Roxas, Oriental Mindoro

The Institute recently convened an Innovation Dialogue to discuss the preparation of the Handloom Weaving Innovation Center in Roxas, Oriental Mindoro. This center is set to benefit the Katutubong Mangyan weavers from Brgy. San Vicente by providing them with handloom weaving machines and by preserving and revitalizing their renowned "ramit" fabric. The event, held at Clarendon College Cultural Center, brought together local weavers, government officials, textile experts, and community leaders to discuss the framework and potential impact of the proposed center. In addition to technological support, the center will focus on providing training programs to enhance the skills of the weavers, promote sustainable practices, and explore new market opportunities. The Institute aims to continue engaging with the community to fine-tune the center's features and ensure it meets the needs of the Katutubong Mangyan weavers.



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