

“More than their houses, the farmers were more worried of the erosion and destruction of the rice terraces. They lost their source of livelihood,” University President Dr. Dexter R. Buted said.

Thus on August 11, 2022, the group of PSUnian researchers, extensionists and faculty embarked on a seven-hour land trip to the mountains of Abra to personally hand the donations and see their condition.

Notwithstanding the torrential rains that caused mud and erosion along the slopes during the



travel, the PSU group, in cooperation with Abra State Institute of Science and Technology (ASIST), arrived at their destination and provided assistance to the farmers of Masadiit Tribe in Bucloc, Abra.

“Relief goods and cash donations were given to the farmers’ families from the proceeds of PSU’s fund-raising activities. We are happy to

help,” REIGn Vice-President Dr. Cenas said.

Aside from Dr. Cenas and Dir. Argente, also present during the event were GAD Director Gilbert P. Moralista, Research and Development Director Larry A. Santos, PSU-Asingan Campus Executive Director Armando D. Junio, Student Regent Christian M. Madarang, ASIST Vice President Noel B. Begnalen and other faculty and non-teaching personnel from PSU and ASIST.



In return, the Masadiit tribe leaders thanked PSU President, Dr. Dexter R. Buted and ASIST President, Dr. Gregorio T. Turqueza, Jr. for the assistance extended to them by the two universities.

As the tribe’s expression of gratitude, the Masadiits encouraged the PSUnians to dance their native dance to which they gladly obliged.

Although beset by strong natural disasters, the smiles on the faces of the quake victims depict that they can surmount any odds as long as helping hands are readily extended.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN PANGASINAN (PHASE 1) LIVELIHOOD TRAININGS

Pangasinan State University Infanta Campus conducted their Community Development For The Indigenous People In Pangasinan (Phase 1) Livelihood Trainings focusing on Salted Egg Production & Rabbit Production and Management.

This Extension activity was held at PSU, Infanta Gymnasium and was attended by Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 3rd year students, Alumni of PSU Infanta who are venturing on rabbit production and the PSUs' Faculty & Staff.

The morning session was opened by Campus' Extension Services Coordinator, Dr. Dorothy Joy S. Noble delivering her welcome message for the participants and stating the purpose of the activity.



Afterwards a heartfelt message was delivered by the Campus Dean, Dr. Salvacion M. Vinluan. The first speaker Dr. Jocelyn S. De Vera, Extension Services Coordinator of PSU ACC has masterfully preceded the Salted Egg Production Training, an interactive session was made possible by doing hands-on steps on the procedure of the Salted Egg Production using the Brine Solution Technique. They ended the morning session by distributing IEC Materials for Salted Egg Production.



In the afternoon session our energetic speaker Dr. Ralph Kevin M. Espinosa, a Veterinary Services and Training Specialist in PILMICO centered his discussion on Rabbit Production and Management. He emphasizes on rabbit production, proper breeding, and proper health management. The event was ended by the closing remarks delivered by the Agriculture Department Chairperson, Prof. Wilma S. Noble.

### PSU supports volunteerism in nation-building

Reinforcing the value of volunteerism, the Pangasinan State University (PSU) took part in the celebration of the National Volunteer Month kick-off program spearheaded by the provincial government of Pangasinan, and the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) held on December 1.