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MEMORANDUM

TO : **All Regional Executive Directors**

All Regional Directors
Environmental Management Bureau
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

All Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officers

All Community Environment and Natural Resources Officers

THROUGH : **The Undersecretary**
Field Operations and Environment

ATTENTION : **Regional Strategic Communication and Initiatives Groups**

FROM : **The Undersecretary**
Finance, Information Systems, and Climate Change

The Chairperson
DENR National GAD Focal Point System

SUBJECT : **DISSEMINATION OF MGA KWENTONG KLIMA-LIKASAN
RECOGNITION AWARDS**

DATE : **05 September 2022**

This refers to the dissemination of the “Mga Kwentong Klima-likasan Recognition Awards”.

The recognition award is a joint effort of the DENR Gender and Development Office and Globe. It aims to highlight the good contributions and initiatives that public officers and ordinary citizens are making for a climate of real change.

It is also our participation in the joy of the journey of the Global Good Stories Movement. This movement seeks good stories of people making peace with the Earth. Selected stories from nominations received will be officially endorsed to the international secretariat of the Good Stories Movement (Normandy, France).

To maximize the submission of entries, may we ask for your assistance in disseminating the said competition to your stakeholders and networks in your region. The deadline of submission of entries is on October 21, 2022. You may also share the publication materials through this link: <https://bit.ly/KLJMAlikasan2022FBPost>.

Should you have any clarification on this matter, your staff may contact Ms. Micah De Leon or Mr. Juan Miguel Reboton at 8-9281194/8-9281208 or email address, ccs@denr.gov.ph.

Attached are the Mechanics and Nomination Form of the resiliency awards for reference.

Your usual kind support will be highly appreciated.


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Mga Kwentong KLIMA-likasan Recognition Awards

The DENR Gender and Development Office, in partnership with Globe, will open the submission for Mga Kwentong KLIMA-likasan Recognition Awards. The competition will run from June 2022 to October 2022.

Mga Kwentong KLIMA-likasan Recognition Awards aims to showcase and highlight the long track record and important contributions and initiatives of women and men as decision-makers, caretakers, stakeholders, experts and educators in the environment, climate change, and disaster risk reduction sectors, and even organizations and local government unit in these directions.

This recognition scheme aims to feature stories and narratives of the provinces on addressing the impacts of climate change in their communities and how they are addressing them through pursuing relevant programs on environmental protection and conservation, climate change, and disaster risk reduction. This also aims to effect a cultural and behavioral shift through the promotion of best practices in different communities.

Aside from the 1st and 2nd place, the competition will contain two special categories, namely Gender Equality, Women's Empowerment, and Climate Change Award, and Digital Technologies for Climate Resilience Awards. Details are found below.

Mga Kwentong KLIMA-likasan Recognition Awards is a support activity for the Global Good Stories Movement. Selected stories from the submissions will be officially communicated and submitted to the Good Stories Movement.

The Good Stories Movement is a movement of people who share the common belief that we can change the story of the world by changing the storyline. This movement aims to search for the stories of good people doing good things for the greater good of the Land, Air, and Waters (LAW) of Life all around the world. The Good Stories Movement aims to identify the people behind them, highlight the good stories, and recognize and award them for their contributions.

The list of fields for the search for good stories may include the following:

1. community livelihood development
2. integrated water resources management
3. coastal/upland protection
4. critical resilient infrastructure
5. climate/disaster information services
6. solid waste management
7. marine conservation
8. coastal governance
9. road sharing and non-motorized mobility
10. edible landscaping and food gardens
11. eco-governance

12. environmental legislation
13. environment education
14. arts for the earth
15. environmental jurisprudence
16. youth leadership
17. gender equality and women's empowerment/leadership
18. environmental diplomacy
19. marine enforcement
20. renewable energy
21. cultural heritage
22. lifetime efforts
23. beach restoration
24. rain gardens
25. environmental litigation
26. water use and recycling
27. rainwater harvesting facilities

Special categories

Gender Equality, Women's Empowerment, and Climate Change Award

This award will recognize and acknowledge the individual, group, and PLGU that advanced gender equality and women's empowerment in the planning and implementation of projects on climate change adaptation and mitigation.

The winning entries should showcase the role of women, the different enabling policies and programs, and other innovative approaches and solutions that contribute to the gender-responsiveness and climate-responsiveness of the initiatives.

Digital Technologies for Climate Resilience Awards

Resilience is defined by IPCC (2015) as "the capacity of social, economic and environmental systems to cope with a hazardous event or trend or disturbance, responding or reorganizing in ways that maintain their essential function, identity and structure while also maintaining the capacity for adaptation, learning, and transformation."

To achieve resilience, climate mitigation and adaptation are essential. While there are many ways to build resilience, the role of digital technologies has increased over the years. This includes using Artificial Intelligence (AI), robotics, sensor-driven tools, smartphone applications, the internet, SMS, and social media. Practical examples include but are not limited to:

- collection and dissemination of agro-meteorological information,
- observation, monitoring, and analysis of environmental conditions such as air and water quality,

- delivery of weather or climate information through mobile phones,
- early warning systems and disaster preparedness,
- creation of smart cities, smart buildings, smart transportation
- planning for and tracking of changes in the distribution of diseases such as malaria and meningitis,
- development and use of information sharing systems.

The winning entries for this award should be able to present clear benefits (preferably supported with quantitative data, or qualitative data if available) of digital technologies on climate action and present actionable feedback from relevant stakeholders.

Recognition Award Prizes

	Individual Category	Group Category	Provincial Local Government Category
1st place	Php 30,000	Php 40,000	Php 50,000
2nd place	Php 20,000	Php 30,000	Php 40,000
Gender Equality, Women's Empowerment, and Climate Change Award	Php 10,000	Php 20,000	Php 30,000
Digital Technologies for Climate Resilience Awards	Php 10,000	Php 20,000	Php 30,000

The deadline of submission of entries is on 21 October 2022. Winners will be announced in November 2022 as part of the observance of the National Climate Change Consciousness Week. Winners and selected entries will be utilized and printed for the said celebration.

Criteria for Judging

- **Climate and Disaster Resiliency Content: 60%**
- **Visual appeal of the photographs and video: 20%**
- **Gender fair text and media: 10%**
- **Geographical reach of the initiative: 10%**

Mechanics:

- a) Eligibility
 - a. Individual Category
 - Open to all Filipinos, with ages 18 and up, residing anywhere in the Philippines.
 - b. Group Category
 - Groups/Organizations with at least 30 Filipino members.
 - c. Provincial Local Government Category
 - Open to Provincial Local Government Units from Region 1, 2, CAR, 3, 4A, 4B, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, CARAGA. and BARMM.
- b) Only one entry per contestant/organization/local government unit is allowed. Contestants will be asked to submit their entry with a corresponding title in English, or Filipino. If in Filipino, there should be English subtitles.
- c) Contestants will be required to submit the accomplished Nomination Form in Microsoft Word File Format with a maximum of 7 pages of text, double spaced, and three pages of photos, describing their environmental contributions/initiatives and how it made an impact in their communities. The minimum length of the submitted entry must be 5 pages of text, double spaced, and two pages of photos.
- d) All entries will be submitted through filling out the Google Form (<https://tinyurl.com/MgaKwentongKLIMA-likasan2022>).
- e) The photos will be submitted separately. It must be **landscape in JPEG format with at least 300 dpi and a maximum file size of 10 MB** and must be sent as attachments in the google form link, together with the word file of the text/ description/narrative.
- f) Photos must definitely be identifiable as being taken within the community. It shall include human elements (women, men and children) in natural or candid situations. It shall also constitute the programs, activities, and/or behavior change the province is pursuing.
- g) Submit a maximum of three (3) minutes of video documentation of the initiatives. The initiatives to be described must have been going on since the last 3 years, at least, and continuing up to present time (or at least since 2018 up to the present time). Any excess/overtime will result in deduction of points.
- h) Any camera device is allowed to be used except photos taken by film camera, fisheye lens, and stitched panoramas. Post processing of the images is limited to cropping and color enhancements, including shadows and highlights only. Photo manipulation is not allowed.

- i) The use of excessive or overtly violent, discriminatory, sexual, offensive themes, graphics and language will not be allowed.
- j) A Board of Judges shall be constituted for this purpose. The Judges' decision is final and unappealable.
- k) All entries will become the property of the DENR Climate Change Service, for use in the advocacy programs of the Department. Globe, as a co-sponsor, will also have rights to use the entries submitted in the contest for educational purposes.
- l) Winners of major prizes per category may also be recognized as an awardee for the Gender Equality, Women's Empowerment, and Climate Change and Digital Technologies for Climate Resilience Awards.
- m) Winners and selected entries of Mga Kwentong KLIMA-likasan Recognition Awards will be utilized and printed for any environmental campaigns and advocacies. The name/s of contestant/s will be acknowledged when the material/s is/are used for print public advocacy purposes.

Relatives of DENR Climate Change Service, and the DENR Gender and Development Office personnel up to the second degree of affinity or consanguinity are not eligible to join the contest. If the contestant is having difficulty sending the entry to the organizer through the google form (<https://tinyurl.com/MgaKwentongKLIMA-likasan2022>), such may be submitted thru the DENR PENRO, or DENR Regional Office, whichever comes as more convenient to the contestant. The respective DENR Office shall quickly email the said entry submission to the DENR Climate Change Service or submit through the google form. Please follow the DENR Climate Change Service Facebook Page for updates and announcement of winners.