

DOST VII 2013 Annual Report

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Technology Transfer and Commercialization

In 2013, 305 Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) received 479 S&T interventions. These interventions generated 1,720 persons employment, P 229.72 M in total gross sales of assisted firms, and 23% average improvement in productivity per firm. The technology interventions extended by DOST 7 include technologies on food drying, meat processing, food processing, fish processing, baking, roasting, packaging, agriculture, dyeing, aquaculture, furniture production, lumber drying, , waste management among others.

Testing and Calibration Services

DOST VII Regional Standards and Testing Laboratory (RSTL) served 1,683 clients and assisted 1,021 firms in maintaining high quality product standards through the provision of 8,410 testing and calibration services. Income generated was P 3.609 M.

Packaging and Labeling Services

DOST VII assisted 91 firms with the provision of 160 S&T interventions such as package label designs and nutrition information assistance.

Consultancy Services

In 2012, MPEX consultancy program assisted 15 firms; CAPE program worked with 15 firms; the Energy Audit Program assessed 10 firms; Cleaner Production Technologies Program served 5 firms; and Food Safety Program improved 11 firms in the region.

Technology Training

The technology training program of DOST 7 deployed experts to provide 172 technology trainings to assist SMEs in human resource development on key production and other related areas, with 6,568 participants from 1,374 firms.

S&T Scholarship Programs

Scholarship programs continuously supported 864 ongoing scholars. A total of 3,818 graduating high school students applied for DOST-SEI undergraduate/college scholarships in 2013.

S&T Promotion

Aiming to nurture the S&T culture and enhance S&T awareness in the region, DOST VII developed and conducted S&T promotion activities and programs. It circulated 309 news releases, 71 of which were aired over the radio, 201 published in print, and 37 interviews over television. DOST VII participated in 13 regional and provincial fairs, five of which were conducted by DOST and six by other agencies. Thirty-four press conferences and interviews helped to promote the programs and services of DOST VII. The DOST VII Library and information centers based in each PSTC provided adequate and up-to-date scientific and technological information to 8,302 students, researchers, professionals, entrepreneurs.

Networks and Linkages

DOST VII established and maintained 199 networks and linkages to help in promoting and bringing science and technology closer to the people. It strengthened its linkages with LGUs in 2013, as attested by 40 projects co-funded and 45 training programs conducted for LGUs assisting 879 beneficiaries. It continued to partner with other line government agencies with 12 co-funded projects conducting 28 training programs for 4,194 beneficiaries.