

The NTRC celebrates the **National Women's Month**



March 2023

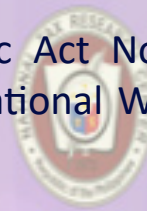
Presidential Proclamation Nos. 224 and 227, and Republic Act No. 6949 provided for the yearly observance of the month of March as National Women's Month.

The NTRC joined this year's month-long celebration of Women's Month spearheaded by the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW), which honors women and their contribution to nation-building.

The Center displayed a streamer depicting a new recurring theme for this year to 2028, "WE for gender equality and inclusive society".

The theme sparked a renewed commitment to the advocacy and banked on the gains achieved during the 2016-2022 theme, "WE Make CHANGE Work for Women", which emphasized the need for compassionate and harmonized networks towards gender equality and women empowerment. It is also aligned with the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028, which aims for deep economic and social transformation to reinvigorate job creation and accelerate poverty by steering the economy back on a high-growth path.

The National Women's Month Celebration (NWMC) highlighted the need to inspire women to empower themselves and take on leadership roles, opportunities, and benefits toward maximizing their full potential, enabling them to be agents of change and development, and reap the fruits of gender equality.



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March 1 - 31, 2023

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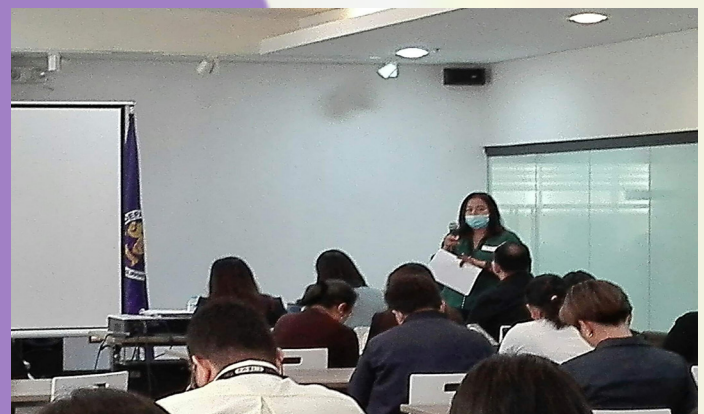
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In support of the NWMC, the NTRC conducted/attended the following GAD activities:

1. Delivered messages of support and announcement of the NTRC NWMC activities during the Flag Raising Ceremony on March 6, 2023.
2. Displayed the 2023 NWMC banner for the whole month of March 2023.
3. Wore the GAD advocacy t-shirts in all Wednesdays of March 2023.
4. Supported the new online GAD official hashtag #WE can be Equal.
5. Used the all-women cast Lupang Hinirang video during NWMC activities.
6. Participated in film showings entitled, “Hidden Figures” and “Retirada”.
7. Attended the following GAD meeting/seminar/webinar:
 - a. Gender and Development Basic Concepts, held on March 15, 2023, with Dr. Marjorie R. Rola as a resource person;
 - b. Updates on the proposed Package 4 of the Comprehensive Tax Reform Program, held on March 29, 2023, with OIC-Deputy Executive Director Monica G. Rempillo as the resource person;
 - c. Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) on International Women’s Day, entitled, “Breaking the Code: Equality for All through Technology and Innovation” held on March 8, 2023; and
 - d. Gender and Finance Summit and Women Inspiring Women Forum held on March 31, 2023.





In keeping up with the women's right to information and in cognizance of the NTRC mandate of conducting research study on taxation, the NTRC prepared the following:

- a. Tax Implications of Republic Act No. 11694 - An Act Declaring the Batangas State University as the National Engineering University and Appropriating Funds Therefor;
- b. Tax Implications of Republic Act No. 11534 - An Act Reforming the Corporate Income Tax and Incentives System, Amending for the Purpose Sections 20, 22, 25, 27, 28, 29, 34, 40, 57, 109, 116, 204 and 290 of the National Internal Revenue Code of 1997, as Amended, and Creating Therein New Title XIII, and for Other Purposes”;
- c. Tax Implications of Republic Act No. 11898 - An Act Institutionalizing the Extended Producer Responsibility on Plastic Packaging Waste, Amending for this Purpose Republic Act No. 9003, Otherwise Known as the “Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000”; and
- d. Tax Implications of Republic Act No. 11755 - An Act Converting the Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College in the Municipality of Sta. Maria, Province of Ilocos Sur, into a State University, Integrating Therewith the North Luzon Philippines State College in the City of Candon, Province of Ilocos Sur, to be Known as the University of Ilocos Philippines, and Appropriating Funds Therefor.

Such legislations aim to provide fairness and social equality in taxation to ensure that the rights of every individual to education, healthcare, and employment are met.



The NTRC staff participated in GAD orientation, and cultural and teambuilding activities held at Calamba, Laguna. Ms. Rhea L. Caro, GAD Focal Person, provided an update and status of implementation of the programs and activities indicated in the GAD Plan and Budget for CY 2023, including GAD utilization, and GAD activities for the remaining months of the year.

