

9th Batch of AI /PD Trainees in Progress



Dr. Jose Arceo Bautista, a faculty of Animal & Dairy Sciences Cluster (ADSC) at UP Los Baños, briefs the trainees including Mr. Dennis A. Castasus, owner of the YGGACCHAI Dairy Farm in San Pedro, Laguna prior to their practicals on actual pregnancy diagnosis. Assisting Dr. Bautista is Mr. Hermie , also of ADSC and University Research Assistant Mary Loyce Manjares

In pursuit of its mandate to ensure the accelerated development of the Philippine dairy industry, part of NDA's mission is to increase herd build up through massive upgrading program. The NDA in collaboration with the Animal & Dairy Sciences Cluster of the University of the Philippine in Los Baños, embarked on its 9th batch of AI/PD training which aims to develop capable technicians who can augment the lean workforce in upgrading activities.

Some 15 trainees who are either farm workers of new DMF partners and former animal beneficiaries are currently undergoing lecture and practical sessions at the DTRI that will equip them with proper artificial insemination techniques and pregnancy diagnosis procedures.

With enhanced knowledge and skills, the trainees will be able to service not only their own cooperatives but the nearby communities as well. They in turn augment the lean force of government, in particular, the NDA.

In so doing, not only do they help increase herd build up through AI but also empower them as entrepreneurs as they embark on their new found skill, that of being capable AI technicians.



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