

NDA Conducts "On-Site seminar on Farm Improvement Practices" in Cam Sur



In this photo Mr. Richard Sanico, NDA Project Development Officer (PDO IV) of Camarines Sur demonstrates to Mr. Jose Villano a dairy farmer and Ms. Francia Layug Sagnay Dairy Development Cooperative Milk Quality Control Officer the proper way of testing the milk in the farm level. This was taken during the conduct of the "On-Site Seminar on Farm Improvement Practices" last July 21-22,2010 in Sagnay, Camarines Sur

Thirty one (31) dairy farmers from Sagnay Dairy Development Cooperative successfully completed the two-day seminar conducted by the National Dairy Authority last July 21-22,2010 in Sagnay, Camarines Sur.

This on-site seminar is in line with the NDA's commitment to improve the livelihood of farmers engaged in dairy enterprise in this part of the province. The farmers in this area supply raw milk to Naga Milk Processing Plant with its brand name "Farm Classic". They are now producing 260 liters/ day valued at about P5,200 /day @ P20.00 /liter . Products include flavored milk and yoghurt. To date, the milk processing plant is run and managed by Bicol Alliance of Dairy Producers Inc. They are urging the private sectors , non-government and Local Government Units to use their milk produce for their Feeding Programs. This is one way of helping the farmers and at the same time alleviating malnutrition in the province.

Subject Matter Specialists (SMS), who acted as mentors, were Dr. Jaime Lopez OIC, SLFO, and NDA Project Development Officers Ms. Emmeline dela Cruz, Mr. Richard Sanico, Mr. Salvador Garchitorena and Ms. Socorro Mejino.

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