

DA Sec gave out 5 dairy animals to Congress Delegates

In recognition of the dairy farmers' effort to sustain dairy development, **DA Secretary Proceso J. Alcala** gave out three (3) imported pregnant dairy heifers and two (2) pregnant island born dairy heifers to five (5) lucky Dairy Congress delegates.

The 17th Dairy Congress slated on 7-9 May 2014, opened at the Family Country Hotel, General Santos City. The annual event was graced by Sec. Alcala and keynote speaker and chairman of the Committee on Agriculture **Senator Cynthia Villar**.

Per report, the dairy sector contributed the highest growth among the livestock sectors in three (3) consecutive years.

Three (3) winners will each receive the imported pregnant dairy heifers valued at P140,000 each, while two (2) winners will receive pregnant island born dairy heifers. These animals will augment the current herd, thereby increasing milk production and productivity of the farmers.

The winners were randomly picked through a raffle draw which was represented by the different dairy zones in the country:

Winners of Imported Pregnant Dairy Heifers:

1. Marlon Sumat – Northern Mindanao Federation of Dairy Coop (NMFDC)
2. Gregorio “Gogie” San Diego - San Rafael, Montalban, Rizal
3. Rodrigo Geromo – Ubay, Bohol

Winners of Pregnant Island Born Dairy Heifers:

4. Jane S. Zamora- Northern Mindanao Federation of Dairy Coop (NMFDC)
5. Joseph B. Durado – Cebu Federation of Dairy Coop (CEFEDCO)



Delegates hopefully waiting for their names to be called as winners in the raffle draw.