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3 RP pupils go for gold in ASEAN drawing competition

Three Filipino students vie for top honors in the Regional Drawing Competition among the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) member countries in Bangkok, Thailand.

This is in line with the Celebration of the 2009 ASEAN Day for Disaster Management and the International Day for Disaster Reduction.

The three winning entries came from Jamia Mei Tolentiono and Trisha Co Reyes, both Grade V pupils of St. Stephen High School and Jerrika Shi, a Grade VI – Student from St. Jude Catholic High School. All schools came from the National Capital Region.

Last year, the Philippines won the second and third places.

The Department of Education (DepEd), with its Task Team on the Promotion of Disaster Risk Management Education in Schools conducted the nationwide competition. School children between 8-12 years old were invited to participate in the drawing competition.

This year's theme of the contest is "SAVE HOSPITALS: HOSPITALS OF ASEAN SAFE FROM DISASTERS." Thailand serves the lead country for the competition.

A National Review Committee led by DepEd, together with representatives from Department of Health (DOH), Philippine National Red Cross, Office of Civil Defense (OCD) and the Philippine Information Agency (PIA) reviewed and screened all the entries and came up with three (3) winners after a validation.

Winners were selected from 57 entries that came from various schools from different regions.

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