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38TH ATOMIC ENERGY WEEK (AEW)

The Philippine Nuclear Research Institute (PNRI), Department of Science and Technology (DOST) will celebrate its **38th Atomic Energy Week (AEW)** with the theme, "*Accelerating Socio-Economic Development through Nuclear Science and Technology*" on December 6-10, 2010 at the PNRI Compound, Commonwealth Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City.

The event aims to: (a) highlight the role of nuclear science and technology in fostering socio-economic development in the country; and (b) promote public awareness of its peaceful applications in the fields of health and medicine, agriculture, industries, energy and the environment.

The activities during the event will include guided tours, film showing, scientific/technical sessions, and exhibits. One of the highlights of the celebration is the conduct of the "*On-the-Spot Essay Writing and Poster Making Contest*" on December 8, 2010.

The contests are open to all high school students in the National Capital Region (NCR) excluding the relatives of any PNRI employee. One (1) student for each contest is allowed per school.

The prizes are as follows: First prize: PhP6,000.00; Second prize: PhP3,000.00; and Third prize: PhP2,000.00.

The criteria for the *essay-writing contest* are as follows: Content - 35%; writing style and structure - 35%; originality - 20%; and Impact - 10%.

The criteria for the *poster-making contest* are as follows: originality and Creativity - 30%; relevance to the theme - 30%; aesthetic appeal - 30%; and neatness - 10%.

Entries will be evaluated by a panel of three (3) judges. The decisions reached by the panel of judges shall be considered final and unappealable.

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