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19TH URBAN PEST CONTROL WEEK OR ZERO WASTE, ZERO PEST WEEK

The National Committee on Urban Pest Control, in cooperation with the Zero Waste Recycling Movement of the Philippines Foundation Inc. (ZWRMPFI) and Zero Waste Philippines (ZWP), will celebrate the *19th National Urban Pest Control Week or Zero Waste, Zero Pest Week* from September 21 to 27, 2015. This is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation Nos. 990, 2063 and 760, and Republic Act No. 9003. This is part of the *Clean Up the World Month* being celebrated annually in September by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The advocacy and promotional activities to create waste-free, pest-free, and pollution-free business establishments and environment aim to: (1) give emphasis on partnership between government agencies, local government units (LGUs), and non-government organizations (NGOs); (2) provide the staff and representatives of local business establishments in different cities in Metro Manila with the necessary information and skills on how their establishments manage their garbage, refuses, and wastes properly and effectively; and (3) train them on how their generated garbage, refuses, and wastes can be reused or recycled as their raw materials to engage into and develop various arts, decorative and other waste recycling related projects, such as Vermicast 100% Organic Fertilizer, and alternative Green Charcoal Hydrogen Fuel.

The Celebration will be highlighted by seminar-workshops and will be culminated with a synchronized *Sunday Mission Nationwide 2015* (a free anti-dengue simultaneous spraying in selected slum areas in Manila and various areas nationwide with MAPECON Philippines Inc. and other groups) on September 27.

The annual local-based seminar-workshops in different LGUs entitled *Zero Waste, Zero Pest and Zero Pollution Lifestyle in Business Establishments* will be conducted from September 22 to 25, 2015, with the theme *Adopting the Zero Waste, Zero Pest and Zero Pollution Lifestyle in Business Establishments*.

The target participants are the following:

1. owners, managers, building administrators, quality control officers, and sanitation and pollution engineers of food manufacturing and processing facilities and plants, fast-food chains, restaurants, supermarkets, public markets, shopping centers and malls, hotels, motels, inns, and other related establishments which has been issued licenses to operate, and sanitary permits by the LGUs;
2. officials and staff of the national government agencies, LGUs, NGOs, and peoples organizations who are concerned of the management of their garbage, refuses, and wastes and the public and private academe including students;
3. urban pest control operators and practitioners, urban and medical/general entomologists, epidemiologists, medical officers, nurses, nutritionists, and food safety professionals; and
4. urban planners, sanitation inspectors and engineers, sanitarians, and waste management practitioners.

All activities to be undertaken should not disrupt classes nor compromise their supervision pursuant to DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled *Instituting Measures to Increase Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*. Activities which are community-based should be conducted during Saturday and Sunday of the week.

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