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NATIONAL *KALKALI* OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION
FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS

The National Indigenous Peoples Month is celebrated every month of October of every year as per Presidential Proclamation No. 1906, s. 2009.

As part of the celebration, the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, through the Subcommittee on Cultural Communities and Traditional Arts, will conduct the National *Kalkali* (*Kankana-ey* word for conversations) with the theme, *Buhay na Dunong: Pagkatuto Kasama ang mga Katutubo* (Vital Wisdoms: Learning with Indigenous Peoples), from October 28 to 29, 2019 at the Maryhill School of Theology, Quezon City.

Vital Wisdoms refers specifically to intangible cultural heritage (ICH) under the five UNESCO domains, namely: oral traditions and expressions; performing arts; social practices; rituals and festive events, knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe; and traditional craftsmanship.

The eight sessions in this two-day *Kalkali* will feature speakers from IP communities, together with representatives from concerned sectors who will share their views and experiences pertaining to ICH in the Philippines. In the process, *Kalkali* aspires to generate issues and debates on, but not limited to, the aesthetics, legal, moral, ethical, and pedagogical dimensions of ICH, which inform current and future initiatives in safeguarding ICH in the Philippines.

The forum expects active participation of teachers, local government functionaries, researchers, mass media workers, and related practitioners from across the country.

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