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AFPPS reports more than P49 million residuals for gov't

The AFP Procurement Service (AFPPS) completed P630 million worth of projects for the month of August alone and reported more than P49 million in residuals in favor of the government.

In his report to AFP Chief of Staff Gen. Gregorio Pio Catapang Jr. through the Office of the AFP Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics (J4), AFPPS Commander Col Alvin Francis A Javier PA (GSC) said that the Service processed a total of 2,873 purchase orders, work orders and contracts from various catered units in August.

The AFPPS completed a total of P635,367,501.28 worth of projects through various modes of procurement from August 1 to 31.

Col Javier said that the Service managed to achieve a total of P49,700,995.01 in residuals as the



Monthly Consolidated Completed Projects Report

(2014 August 31-01 :Period covered)

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Public Bidding	Php384,075,919.87	Php341,094,710.51	Php42,981,209.36	31
Shopping	59,846,604.73	56,244,143.20	3,602,461.53	520
Negotiated	61,900,059.29	60,175,594.00	1,724,465.29	542
Direct Contracting	172,562,613.03	171,172,528.72	1,390,084.31	1,605
Procurement thru PSDBM	2,789,522.58	2,789,328.51	194.07	106
Procurement thru PITC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Procurement thru AFPCES	3,893,776.79	3,891,196.34	2,580.45	69
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Bulk of the residuals or savings – P42,981,209.36, was achieved from public bidding. The AFP allotted P384,075,919.87 for 31 purchase orders and the bid price

only totaled P341,094,710.51.

“Through competitive public bidding, we registered huge amount of residuals, thus, maximizing the resources of the AFP for the benefit of the government,” says Col Javier.

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We are publishing as our main story the huge residuals achieved from more than P600 million completed projects for the month of August alone. Various AFPPS units reported more than P49 million savings.

In his corner, the Commander cites the concerted efforts of various AFPPS units in achieving residuals in favor of the government -- mostly through competitive and open public bidding as stipulated in Republic Act 9184 or the Government Procurement Reform Act.

The Commander calls for sustained action to further enhance the Service's responsiveness in delivering much-needed requirements of catered units.

This issue of The Gazette is featuring in the photo gallery the AFPPS 3rd Quarter Socials when organic personnel took time out from the stress of work to unwind and interact with each other.

We also have the activities of the Bids and Awards Committees (BACs) and their respective Secretariats, Contracting Offices (COs) and Procurement Centers (PCs) covered under our regular CNN section.

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

COL ALVIN FRANCIS A JAVIER PA (GSC)

Through your untiring efforts, we are slowly reaping the fruits of a more responsive and efficient Procurement Service, not only in furtherance of the "daang matuwid" policy of our Commander in Chief, President Benigno Simeon Aquino III but also in compliance to the AFP Transformation Roadmap.



Without sacrificing transparency and accountability, we have recorded significant residuals in favor of the government from completed projects for the month of August. Based on our data, we achieved a total of P49,700,995.01 residuals or savings for completed projects in August alone.

Out of the P685,068,496.29 approved budget for the contracts, the total bid price was only P635,367,501.28.

From August 1 to 31, the Service managed to process a total of 2,873 purchase orders, work orders and contracts from various catered units.

We have projections, based on the ongoing projects with approved budget of more than P6 billion, that we will achieve huge residuals for this year.

We attained this by religiously following provisions of the Government Procurement Reform Act or Republic Act 9184, without compromising transparency and accountability during the bidding and canvassing and efficiency in delivering the requirements of our catered units.

This achievement is not possible without the dedication and hard work of our officers, enlisted personnel and civilian employees.

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But the challenges remain, and there is no room for complacency.

We need to sustain, if not enhance, our cohesiveness to keep the Service more responsive. Together, we can bring the AFP Procurement Service to greater heights.



TO MAINTAIN CAMARADERIE, TEAMWORK & HIGH PERSONNEL MORALE

AFPPS holds 3rd Quarter socials

More than 200 officers, enlisted personnel and civilian employees of the AFP Procurement Service based in Luzon areas took time out last July 30 to unwind during the 3rd Quarter Socials at the AFP Commissioned Officers Club in Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo.

Col Alvin Francis A Javier PA (GSC), Commander of AFPPS, led the 241 AFPPS officers, enlisted personnel and civilian employees, including those newly-hired, assigned in Luzon areas during the gathering aimed at fostering camaraderie among AFPPS staff.

Col Winston A Ares PAF (GSC), Deputy Commander of AFPPS, noted Col Javier's inspirational message, urging personnel to interact with their colleagues and meet new friends.

"The purpose of the activity was to give a brief respite to the personnel, to unwind from the rigors and pressures of their professional

callings, to foster camaraderie and uplift their respective morale," says Col Ares.

"As the good father of the Service, Col Javier encouraged everyone to enjoy the night, laugh their hearts-out and partake the mouth-watering food," he adds.

Col Ares said that Col Javier also took the opportunity to greet AFPPS personnel who were celebrating their birthdays in July.

The 3rd Quarter Socials was enlivened by the live performance of the Philippine Marine Corps Combo.

The night was highlighted by the AFPPS patented "LA Walk Group Dance" led by no less than Col Javier.

The AFPPS, under the leadership of Col Javier, is regularly holding quarterly socials not only to unwind from the rigors of work but also to promote camaraderie and



teamwork among personnel which is vital in making the Service more responsive.

"With our personnel in high morale, we expect them to perform their respective duties more efficiently," concludes Col Ares.

Col Javier addresses AFPPS personnel during the 3rd Quarter Socials.



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PNPC conducts outreach program

The Philippine Navy Procurement Center (PNPC), under Capt John R Garana PN (GSC), conducted an outreach program last August 11, benefitting 70 pupils of Carlotta Soyango Daycare Center in Daang Hari, Navotas City.

In partnership with the Civil Military Operations Group-National Capital Region and the local government of Navotas City, the PNPC distributed school supplies and held a feeding program.

Among those present were parents of the pupils, teacher Joanna Jerezaso, Barangay Chairman Tito Sanchez,



Councilor Carlito de Guzman, who represented Mayor John Rey Tiangco and other councilors, officials of said barangay.

102nd CO chief gives lecture on RA 9184

Lt Col Michael P Duquez (OS) PA, the Acting Chief of 102nd Contracting Office (CO), conducted a lecture on Government Procurement Reform Act or Republic Act 9184.

Ninety-eight participants, composed of special disbursement officers (SDOs), disbursement officers (DOs) and finance sergeants of the Philippine Army's 2nd Infantry Division (2ID) Headquarters in Camp Capinpin, Tanay, Rizal, attended the seminar.

Dubbed as Fund Accountable Officer Seminar Workshop, the activity was meant to enhance the understanding of the concerned personnel of RA 9184 and other matters connected with the military procurement system.

Lt Col Duquez explained on how procurement



transactions go through contracting processes, giving emphasis on the advocacy of AFP Procurement Service promoting competitive prices, quality of goods and prompt services.

103rd CO accepts procured hospital equipment

Acting as secretary of the Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) of the Philippine Army's 3rd Infantry Division (3ID), 103rd CO chief Lt Col Dean N Cordero (CE) PA, joined the final acceptance of more than P1 million worth of acquisition for Camp Peralta Station Hospital.

Lt Col Cordero, along with other officers of the TIAC-3ID, meticulously inspected the various medical equipment delivered last July 31.

The delivery amounted to P1,202,800.00, covered by five purchase orders (POs). Three proponents were awarded with the projects.

The delivered items were one unit ECG machine, 12 hospital beds, a set of emergency cart, one wheel stretcher, a



set of laryngoscope, two pieces drop lights, one side lamp, two mayo stands, two units dressing cart and treatment cart, a set of pulse oximeter, three sets of aneroid sphygmomanometer and a set of suction pump.

The TIAC, after inspection and verification, found the items compliant to the specifications and have passed the acceptance parameters.

104th CO conducts CMO benefitting civilians

As part of its Civil Military Operation (CMO), the 104th Contracting Office (CO), under Lt Col Atanacio F Sarzadilla PA (GSC), conducted outreach program benefitting civilians.

Personnel of 104th CO offered free haircut to 33 children and adult while 50 other adults benefitted from FBS screening and 63 children participated in the feeding program last July 19.

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Fifty-one households also received free dengue ovitrap to minimize the risk of acquiring the disease.

With these efforts, the Consolacion Gateway Eagles Club, led by its president retired Fire Supt Jorge Raloso gave Lt Col Sarzadilla a Certificate of Recognition.



105th CO chief attends APP deliberation

In its efforts to contribute to the Philippine Army's 5th Infantry Division's (5ID) proper implementation of procurement program, the 105th CO served as panelist during deliberation of the division's Annual Procurement Plan (APP) for 2015.

Maj Judy C Pascua (QMS) PA, chief of 105th CO, joined other officers of 5ID during the deliberation and presentation of the APPs for 2015 last August 6 to 14.

The APPs of various units under 5ID were presented by their Logistics Officers and Logistics NCOs and were scrutinized by the panelists led by Col Peale Jon L Bondoc GSC (INF) PA, Chief of Staff of 5ID; Lt Col Antonio C Astilla (QMS) PA, the AC of S for Logistics, G4, 5ID; Maj Pascua, and Ms Rizza E Imperial, the Chief Fund Accountable Officer of 5ID.

Maj Pascua said that the activity was aimed to reduce the different problems encountered in the implementation of the programmed activities of the units, particularly in the mode of procurement, account code, among others.

106th CO joins tree-planting activity

Personnel of the 106th CO, under Maj Datuluna D Dilangalen Jr., took part in the Philippine Army's 6th Infantry Division's (6ID) "foot march and tree-planting activity" last August 9 in Maguindanao province.

Other participants in the greening project



were 6ID troopers, local government units of Cotabato City, Datu Odin Sinsuat, local police, the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF), Rotary Club of Cotabato and the Regional Environment Office in Autonomous Region for Muslim Mindanao (ARMM).

The tree-planting activity was held in Sitio Inulogan, Barangay Awang in Datu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao, particularly at the Dimapatoay water shed area.

Maj Dilangalen said that the activity was held in celebration of the Indigenous Peoples Week and as part of "clean and green" program of the 6ID.



108th CO increases PSDBM transactions

In line with the AFP Procurement Service's efforts to source more supplies from the Procurement Service of the Department of Budget and Management, the 108th CO has reported increase in the number of transactions with PSDBM.

Lt. Col Domingo B Mestiola Jr. (CE) PA, chief of 108th CO, said that a total of P450,000 worth of items were withdrawn by the office from the PSDBM in Calbayog City.

The 108th CO caters to units under the Philippine Army's 8th Infantry Division (8ID).

Lt Col Mestiola said that the increase in PSDBM transactions was attributed to the additional catered units -- the 543rd Engineer Construction Battalion and the 546th Engineer Construction Battalion under 53rd Engineer Brigade.

109th CO personnel undergo written exams

AFP Procurement Service Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations Lt Col Benjamin C Mutlah (OS) PA administered written examinations to personnel of the 109th CO during a recent visit.

Lt Col Romulo R Satparam (OS) PA, chief of 109th CO, welcomed the giving of written examinations to his personnel to enhance their understanding of the procurement system.

The regular written examinations are being administered by the AFPPS Headquarters to keep its personnel equipped with the knowledge about procurement procedures, particularly provisions or the Government Procurement Reform Act or Republic Act 9184.



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Lt Col Mutlah was among the officers who accompanied AFPPS Commander Col Alvin Francis A Javier PA (GSC) during a visit at 109th CO based in Camp Elias Angeles in San Jose, Pili, Camarines Sur.

110th CO joins inspection of completed projects

As member of the Technical Inspection and Acceptance Committee (TIAC) of the Army Engineer Brigade, Lt Col Arlene A Epe (OS) PA, chief of the 110th CO, joined the inspection of completed infrastructure projects last August 13-15.

Headed by Col Nestor A Mergenio GSC (CE) PA, Army Chief Engineer, the TIAC particularly inspected the projects undertaken by the 53rd Engineer Brigade, particularly those at the Libingan ng mga Bayani-Visayas inside Camp Hernandez in Dingle, Iloilo.



112nd CO polishes two contracts

The 112th CO, headed by Lt Col Patricio P Alejaga (CE) PA, facilitated the finalization of two contracts that resulted in the speedy procurement and early completion of military projects.



Lt Col Alejaga said that the timely procurement and completion of the projects at the Libingan ng mga Bayani in Fort Bonifacio and the Department of

National Defense in Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo were remarkable accomplishments.

The Libingan ng mga Bayani landscaping and fencing projects cost P5,977,421.63 while repairs of Rooms 401 and 402 at the DND Building amounted P2,305,457.05.

The projects were supervised by the 51st Engineer Brigade.

201st CO holds open forum with catered units

The 201st CO, headed by Lt Col Roberto M Pascua PAF, last July 15 conducted an open forum with catered units at the Philippine Air Force.

The forum, initiated by personnel of the 201st CO, was attended by logistics officers from 10 major units of the Philippine Air Force stationed in Clark Air Base and Basa Air Base.

The forum was focused on how to increase the level of



compliance of catered units to the centralized procurement as mandated by Republic Act 9184, also known as the Government Procurement Reform Act.

Lt Col Pascua declared the forum successful with all the representatives of the catered units vowing to work hand in hand with 201st CO in making the procurement system more responsive.

The forum also raised the PAF logistics officers' awareness on how to fast-track procurement procedures and address issues concerning the system.

202nd CO processes 42 POs, 24 UPRs from July-August

The 202nd CO, under Lt Col Philip P Pajela PAF, processed a total of 42 purchase orders (POs) from July 1 to August 31, with the projects amounting to more than P6 million.

The 202nd CO reported residuals amounting to P48,700 from the processed POs.

The approved budget for the contract (ABC) covering the 42 POs was P6,905,012. The bid price was P6,857,906.50.

The 202nd CO also received 24 unit procurement requests (UPRs), with ABC of P3,966,004.72, with valid supporting documents.

Lt Col Pajela said that the UPRs are now posted on PhilGEPS as a mandatory requirement in RA 9184 prior to the conduct of canvassing by the 202nd CO's Canvass/ Contracting Committee.

The 202nd CO is catering units under the Air Education and Training Command (AETC) and Air Power Institute (API) based at Fernando Air Base in Lipa City.

303rd CO welcomes AFPPS Commander

The 303rd CO, led by Lt Cmdr Edmond A Gepte PN, welcomed AFP Procurement Service Commander Col Alvin Francis A Javier PA (GSC), along with some of his staff, during a visit last July 31.

During the visit, Lt Cmdr Gepte briefed Col Javier about the 303rd CO's activities and ongoing projects.

Col Javier took the opportunity to pay courtesy call to Capt Edmund C Mendoza PN (GSC), Chief of Staff of the Naval Forces Southern Luzon.

Lt Cmdr Gepte said the Commander's visit was very timely and uplifted the morale of the personnel of 303rd CO.

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AFPPS holds contract management seminar



Col Ares addresses participants of the AFPPS contract management seminar.



Resource persons give pointers to the AFPPS personnel.



PABAC Secretariat facilitates bidding for P300 million

The Philippine Army Bids and Awards Committee (PABAC) Secretariat is facilitating acquisition of battle dress attire (BDA) uniforms and various ammunition with approved budget for the contracts (ABCs) of more than P300 million.

Last August 5, the PABAC opened the bid envelopes submitted by two proponents for the acquisition of 29,144 pairs of BDA for Philippine Army personnel.

The ABC for the BDA procurement was P39,402,688.00

while the lowest bid price was P33,399,024.00, thus a projected residual of P6,003,664.00 in favor of the government.

The PABAC Secretariat also facilitated last August 14 the opening of bid offers for the acquisition of 123,630 rounds of .40mm high explosive ammunition.

Five foreign proponents participated in the public bidding.

The ammunition project has ABC of P268,277,100.00 with a bid price offered at P196,942,590.00. Thus, the government is

Procurement management seminar



AFPPS officers, enlisted personnel and civilian employees listen attentively in a presentation.



Col Javier airs his comments during the case study portion of the seminar.



Col Javier gives his closing remarks that capped the successful activity. Seated were Col Ares (left) and Lt Col Mutlah.



in worth of BDA, ammo

projected to have P71,334,510.00 in residuals.

Total cost of the two PA projects is P307,679,788.00

The PABAC Secretariat attributed the laudable bidding process to the judicious compliance to the Government Procurement Reform Act or Republic Act 9184 and its implementing rules and regulations which promotes transparency, accountability and fair competition during the conduct of bidding process.

AFPPS honors retiring officer

Lt Col Jovan M Morada PAF was given retirement honors by the AFP Procurement Service as he formally hung his military uniform.

Col Alvin Francis A Javier PA (GSC), Commander of AFPPS, presented Lt Col Morada with a plaque for his eight years of service to AFPPS.

Lt Col Morada completed a 21-year dedicated and unselfish military service. He entered the organization as an aviation cadet at the Philippine Air Force Flying School at the Fernando Air Base in Lipa City in September 1993.

After completing the mandatory training requirements as a military pilot, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Regular Force of the Philippine Air Force and was deployed to various field units, including those in conflict areas.

As a pilot, Lt Col Morada supported ground troops in Mindanao that earned him four Gold Cross Medals for gallantry in action. As a logistics officer, he was assigned to various units of the AFPPS for eight years, earning the respect of his mentors and personnel of catered units.



AS PART OF THE EFFORTS TO PROMOTE GENDER SENSITIVITY

AFPPS holds gender development seminar

As part of the efforts to promote gender sensitivity within the AFP Procurement Service, a one-day seminar on Gender and Development (GAD) Awareness was held last July 18 at the AFPPS Multipurpose Hall.

The seminar was opened by Maj Donald C Hugo (CE) PA, with Ms Veronidia F Murillo, Training Officer of the Office of the Adjutant General (OTAG) as guest lecturer.

The seminar was attended by AFPPS uniformed personnel and civilian employees.

During her lecture, Ms Murillo gave a brief history of GAD which dated back to pre-World War II.

Ms Murillo went on to discuss the differences between GAD and Women in Development (WID) and Women and Development (WAD).

According to her, although the



WID advocated for greater gender equality, it does not tackle the unequal gender relations and roles.

On the other hand, Ms Murillo explained that WAD is a theoretical and practical approach to development. It was introduced into gender studies scholarship in the second half of the 1970s. It arose out of a shift in thinking about women's role in development and concerns.

Ms Murillo said that GAD approach focuses on the socially constructed basis of differences between men and women and the need to challenge existing gender roles

and relations.

She said that GAD marked a shift in thinking about the need to understand how women and men are socially constructed and how those constructions are powerfully reinforced by the social activities. It focuses primarily on gender division of labor and gender as a relation of power embedded in the institutions.

Ms Murillo expounded on two major frameworks: "gender roles" and "social relations analysis."

She explained that "gender roles" is focused on social construction of identities and reveals the expectations from 'maleness and femaleness' in their relative access to resources.

"Social relations analysis", on the other hand, exposes the social dimensions of hierarchical power relations embedded in social institutions and determines influence on the relative position of men and women in society.

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306th CO chief meets with suppliers

In line with the advocacy of promoting good governance and transparency in all government procurement, the 306th CO, under Lt Col Graciano C Diocampo Jr (CE) PA, invited suppliers in a lecture last July 31.

Lt Col Diocampo, assisted by Lt Cmdr Alexander J Orio PN, Assistant Chief of 306th CO, particularly informed the suppliers about the on-line registration at PhilGEPS and upgrading their current listing.

The activity was participated in by 20 partner-suppliers from various parts of Davao.

The 306th CO took advantage of the event to discuss briefly the compliance to the delivery time stipulated in the purchase order of goods.

Lt Col Diocampo said that they were able to discuss also the procurement flow for the suppliers to fully understand the procurement process.

401st CO joins COMNOLCOM during ocular inspection

Lt Gen Felicito Virgilio M Trinidad Jr AFP, Commander of Northern Luzon Command (NOLCOM), along with his staffs, conducted ocular inspection on projects undertaken by the 401st CO last August 26.



Lt Cmdr Elmer O Lunas PN, Assistant Chief of 401st CO, briefed Lt Gen Trinidad on the projects.

Lt Gen Trinidad particularly inspected infrastructure projects.

402nd CO personnel assist in post-typhoon operation

Personnel of the 402nd CO, under Maj Joel P Panopio (CAV) PA, assisted in the cleanup drive after the typhoon "Glenda" struck Lucena City in Quezon last July 15.

The 402nd CO members particularly helped in clearing the streets of uprooted trees and fallen tree branches. They also joined the repair and rehabilitation works to bring back power supply in the area.



403rd CO cited for accomplishments

Lt Gen John S Bonafos AFP, incumbent AFP Vice Chief of Staff, awarded Military Merit Medal to Lt Col Darwin F Hernandez (CE) PA, for his invaluable service and meritorious accomplishment rendered as chief of



403rd CO based at Camp Lapu Lapu in Cebu City.

Lt Gen Bonafos gave the award as outgoing commander of the AFP Central Command.

405th CO receives award from Western Command

Outgoing Western Command chief Lt Gen Roy O Deveraturda AFP cited 405th CO for its accomplishment and indispensable contributions to the overall mission of WESCOM.

The Certificate of Recognition was given last August 7. Lt Cmdr Norman L Elumba PN, Acting Chief, 405th CO, received the award.

AFPPS report...

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Col Javier stressed that the AFPPS is strictly following the provisions of the Government Procurement Reform Act or Republic Act (RA) 9184 in all its procurement.

"Without compromising transparency and following the provisions of RA 9184, we managed to achieve savings in favor of the government," says Col Javier.

Aside from public bidding, the AFPPS completed other projects through shopping with 520 POs amounting to P56,244,143.20; negotiated acquisition with 542 POs worth P60,175,594,000; direct contracting with 1,605 POs costing P171,172,528.72.

The AFPPS also transacted 106 POs with the Procurement Service of the Department of Budget and Management (PSDBM) worth P2,789,328.51, and with the AFP Commissary and Exchange Service (AFPCES) for 69 POs amounting to P3,891,196.34.

Col Javier cited the much-improved internal processes of AFPPS that contributed to the efficient and timely completion of the projects.

In line with President Benigno Simeon Aquino III's "daang matuwid" policy of governance and the AFP Transformation Roadmap, the AFPPS, under the leadership of Col Javier, has implemented innovations and enhanced the existing guidelines on procurement process.

In fact, the AFPPS has applied for an ISO 9001:2008 Certification and is now awaiting approval.

The Service has also started investing time and efforts in equipping its officers and personnel, including civilian employees, with proper training, particularly concerning RA 9184.

"We have taken the initial steps toward a more responsive Procurement Service, we need to pursue more of these efforts and work harder to improve them to sustain our momentum," concludes Col Javier.

Transparent Delivery: Various AL



Col Isidro L Purisima (GSC) PA leads the inspection team of the Philippine Army's 3rd Infantry Division (3ID) during final acceptance of equipment for Camp Peralta Station Hospital.



Col Joel I Enrile QMS (GSC) PA, Commanding Officer of the Philippine Army Procurement Center, other members of the PA inspection team and Mr Mario M Leygo of the Philippine International Trading Corporation inspect 144,490 pieces of brand new aluminum magazine assemblies for rifle 5.56 at D&H Industries in Wisconsin, USA.

FPPS units inspect acquired items



Personnel of the 107th CO, under Lt Col Rodrigo D Medrano (CE) PA, meticulously inspect delivered items.



Members of the 109th CO, headed by Lt Col Romulo R Satparam (OS) PA, carefully check on the supplies delivered by suppliers.

Transparent Delivery: Various AFPPS units inspect acquired items

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A civilian employee of the 202nd CO checks medicines per box during delivery.



Sgt Esmail K Carim (CE) PA of PAPC participates in the inspection of delivered tires of 10FSSU, ASCOM, PA Warehouse in Camp Edilberto Evangelista, Cagayan de Oro City.

Elements of the 301st CO inspect newly-procured items.

Commander visits field units; calls on senior AFP officials



Col Javier, along with other AFPPS officers and staff, pays courtesy call to MGEN YERSON E DEPASO AFP, Commander, 9ID, PA, during his visit at Camp Elias Angeles, San Jose, Pili, Camarines Sur.



Col Javier, along with staff, visits 303rd Contracting Office based in Legazpi City. During the visit, Col Javier was briefed about the 303rd CO's ongoing activities and projects.



Col Javier talks to officers and enlisted personnel of the Philippine Army Procurement Center during his visit in Fort Bonifacio.

TO KEEP ITS PERSONNEL INFORMED OF THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

AFPPS sends 34 personnel to procurement, contract management seminars

Thirty-four newly-assigned officers, enlisted personnel and even civilian employees of the AFP Procurement Service were sent to undergo a four-day procurement orientation and contract management seminars at the AFPPS Multipurpose Hall in Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo.

In his report to AFP Chief of Staff Gen. Gregorio Pio Catapang Jr., AFPPS Commander Col Alvin Francis A Javier PA (GSC) said that the four-day seminar-orientation was in line with the efforts of the Service to keep its personnel well-informed of the procurement process.

Col Javier explained that the seminar-orientation was conducted to enable the participants to know and understand the basic and commonly used provisions of Republic Act 9184 or the Government Procurement

and guidelines on the fiscal control of AFP procurement transactions," he adds.

More importantly, Col Javier said that the activity was meant to instill "procurement ethics" to the participants who are newly-assigned to the AFPPS.

A total of seven topics were tackled during the four-day lecture.

The orientation-seminar was formally opened last July 15 with AFPPS Deputy Commander Col Winston A Ares PAF (GSC) as keynote speaker.

The training was culminated by answering a case study and presenting it before a panel.

"It is a test of how the participants can apply all what they have learned during their training," explains Col Javier.

The 34 participants were composed of two officers, 14 enlisted personnel and 18 civilian employees assigned to various units under the AFPPS.

"The participants exhibited their interest of the subject matter, lectures and case studies. They were able to raise questions and injected current developments with practical applications," says Col Javier.

"In addition, participants showed eagerness to partake in hands-on training to further enhance skills, knowledge and experience. They are also given opportunities to try out ideas and received useful responses, discussed situations and problems encountered and how to solve them to maximize their creativity," he adds.

Col Javier declared that the objectives of the seminar-orientation were achieved with the participants returning to their respective units and offices possessing additional knowledge and armed with renewed confidence.

"Thus, we can expect them to perform their respective tasks with greater confidence, effectiveness and efficiency," he says.

Col Javier vowed to continuously conduct similar seminars to equip AFPPS personnel, especially those who are newly-assigned to the Service, with the proper know-how on military procurement system.



Reform Act and its revised implementing rules and regulations (IRR).

"It is also aimed at familiarizing the participants with the basic documentation and terminologies that are commonly used in procurement activities and to acquaint them to the AFP procurement process," says Col Javier.

"The participants must be able to know and understand the basic concepts and procedures of contract management and understand the basic terminologies