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MILALITTRA

The Miarayon Lapok Lirongan Talaandig Tribal Association, Inc. (MILALITTRA) covers four *barangays* in the municipality of Talakag, in the province of Bukidnon, Philippines. The group was awarded a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT) for 11,367 hectares in 2003. The group's Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan (ADSDPP) is being updated. MILALITTRA is composed of approximately 2,500 households. The community's major source of income is farming. It is estimated that around 1,500 hectares within their ancestral domain are devoted to farming.



Nagkahiusang Manobong Manununod
sa Yutang Kabilin
(NAMAMAYUK, Inc.)

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The Nagkahiusang Manobong Manununod sa Yutang Kabilin (NAMAMAYUK) covers *barangays* Bacusanon and Nabaliwa in the municipality of Pangantucan, in the province of Bukidnon, Philippines. NAMAMAYUK has applied for a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT) for 3,506 hectares and has already formulated its Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan (ADSDPP). The community is composed of 208 households. Their livelihoods revolve around farming and other agricultural activities.



PTTA

The Portulin Talaandig Tribal Association, Inc. (PTTA) covers *barangays* Portulin, New Eden, Concepcion, and Dagoelos in the municipality of Pangantucan, in the province of Bukidnon, Philippines. It has 165 family members. PTTA's main goal is to deter illegal logging within the sacred forests of their ancestral domain. It has applied for a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title for 6,679.83 hectares and has already completed its Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan (ADSDPP). The community's livelihoods involve farming, eco-tourism, and implementing externally funded community development programs.

Project Implementers and Partners



The **Asian NGO Coalition for Agrarian Reform and Rural Development (ANGOC)** is a regional coalition of national and regional CSOs in Asia actively engaged in promoting food sovereignty, land rights and agrarian reform, sustainable agriculture, participatory governance, and rural development. *For more information, refer to www.angoc.org.*



The **Xavier Science Foundation, Inc. (XSF)** is a legal, non-stock, non-profit, non-government organization advocating programs and projects that will alleviate poverty and promote social empowerment. XSF serves as a conduit of funds to support development projects, innovative programs, fora, and dialogues. *For more information, refer to www.xsfoundationinc.org.*



The **United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)** helps the urban poor by transforming cities into safer, healthier, and greener places with better opportunities where everyone can live with dignity. *For more information, refer to www.unhabitat.org.*



The **Global Land Tool Network (GLTN)** is an alliance of global, regional, and national partners contributing to poverty alleviation and the Sustainable Development Goals through increased access to land and tenure security for all. *For more information, refer to www.gltn.net.*



The **German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)** is the primary State development body in Germany. BMZ's governing principle is the protection of human rights, which includes the right to live in peace and freedom, and to help address the poverty issues in the world. *For more information, refer to www.bmz.de.*

The participation of the rural youth as enumerators in the project “Enhancing Land Tenure Security of Smallholder Farmers in Northern Mindanao, Philippines” has not only facilitated the attainment of the project’s objectives, but also allowed for the cultivation of a new generation of advocates of land rights, tenure security, and inclusive development. The engagement of the youth has broadened their perspectives on the importance of land in satisfying basic needs and in daily living especially for indigenous peoples, enlightened them about the social injustices that lead to dispossession and disenfranchisement from land, and enhanced their motivation to work for a better future.

This publication, ***Cultivating Experiential Learning of Rural Youth: A Compilation of Field Stories from Local Enumerators in Bukidnon, Philippines***, contains the stories, reflections, and observations of youth enumerators during their discussions with rural communities in the uplands of Bukidnon, Philippines. Although parts of their narratives reflect the grim reality of insecure land tenure and conflict, hope shines as the youth share anecdotes of success brought on by peaceful methods, the lessons they have learned from fieldwork, and their own recommendations to long-standing issues. This publication is a fresh take on land rights concerns, from the minds and hearts of those who will shape our future.