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# ACTIVITY REPORT (APRIL 2024)

# WEBINAR ON TAX UPDATE 2024

The BCCI, in partnership with the Provincial Government of Bulacan, conducted a webinar on Tax Update 2024 last April 3, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom.

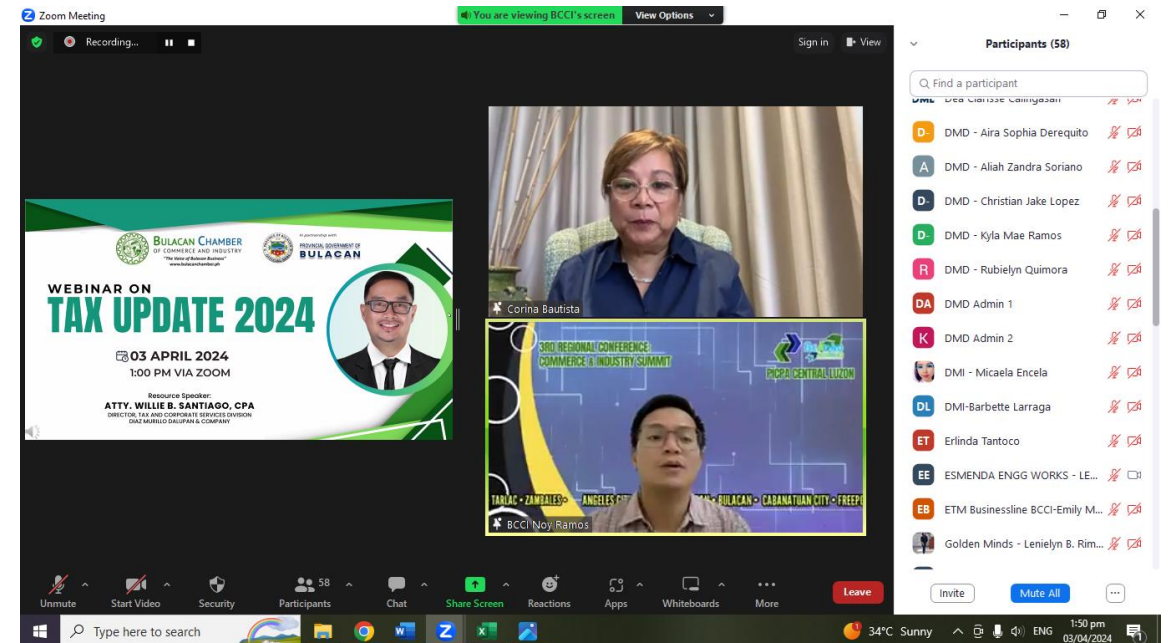
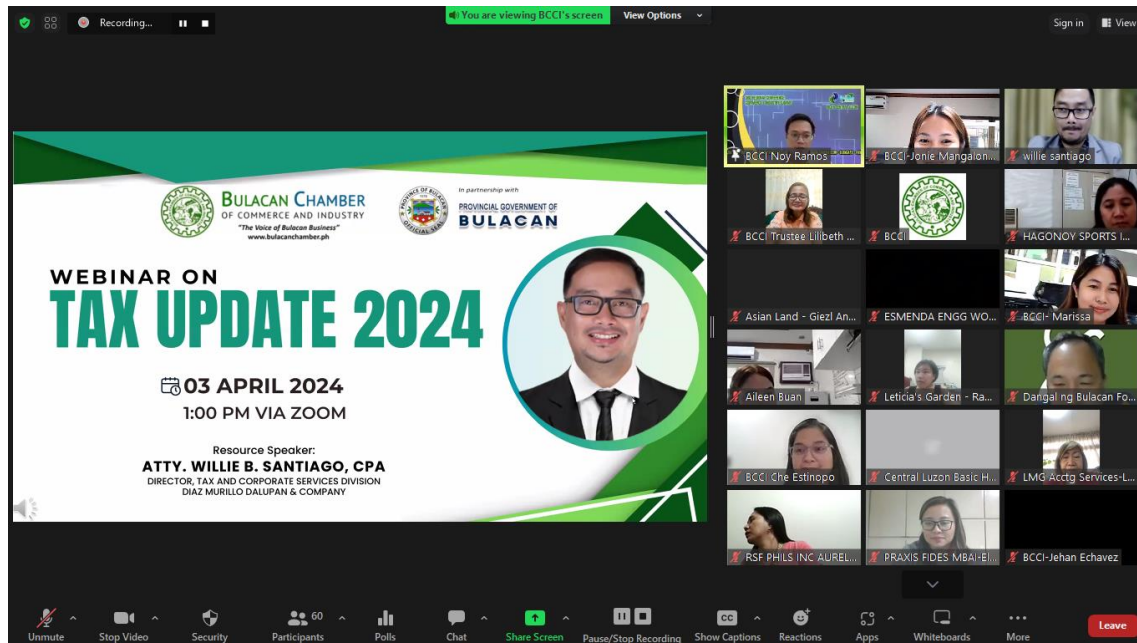
Topics:

Tax Updates: What You Need to Know in Time for the April 15 Tax Filing  
A Revisit of Recent Controversial Business News Makers Affecting Commerce and Industry

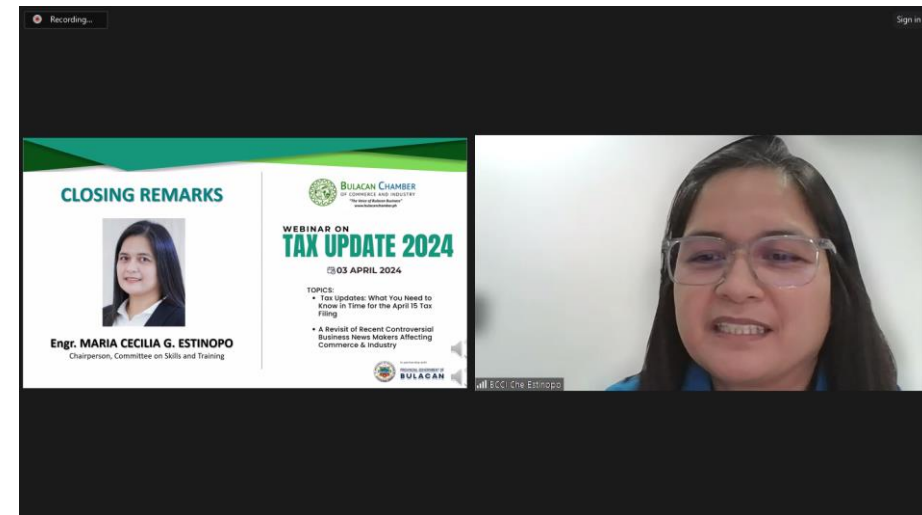
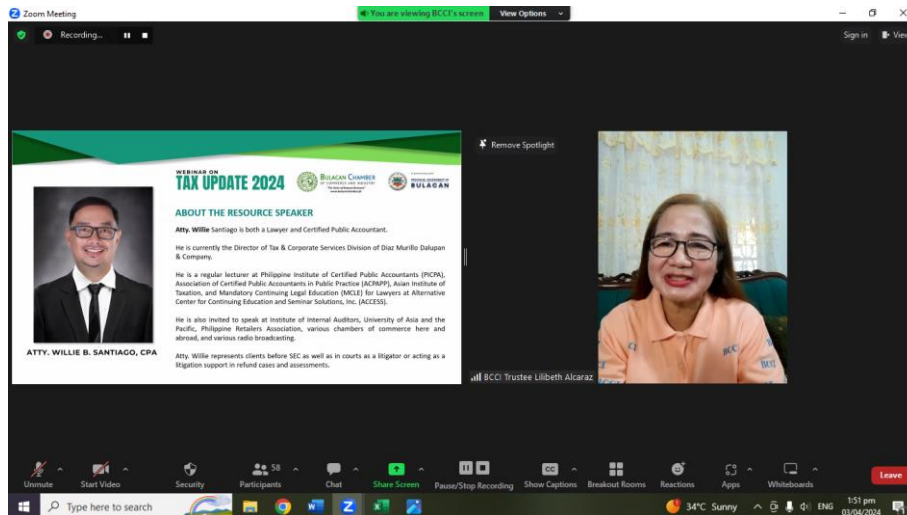
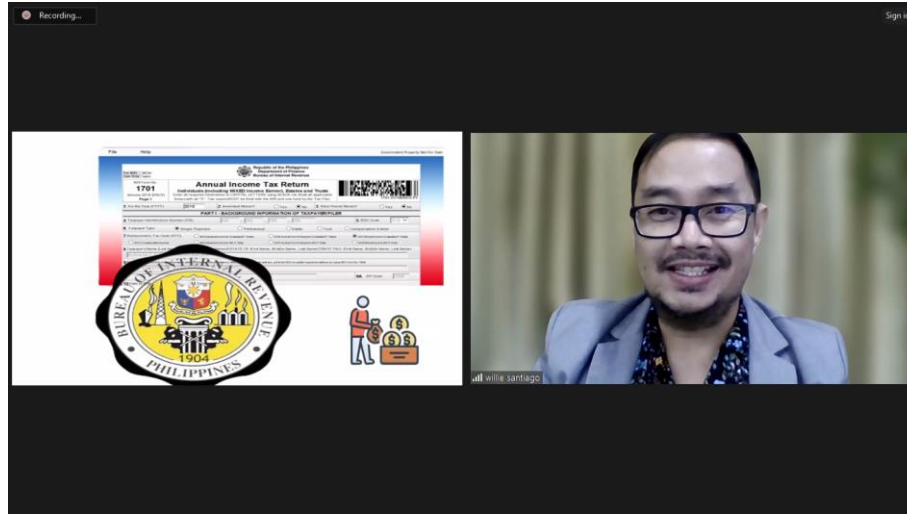
Resource Speaker: Atty. Willie B. Santiago, CPA

Director, Tax and Corporate Division, Diaz Murillo Dalupang & Company

BCCI Corporate Secretary and Vice President for Planning and Development, Mr. Pilipino A. Ramos, facilitated the webinar. President Corina Tengco-Bautista gave the opening remarks.

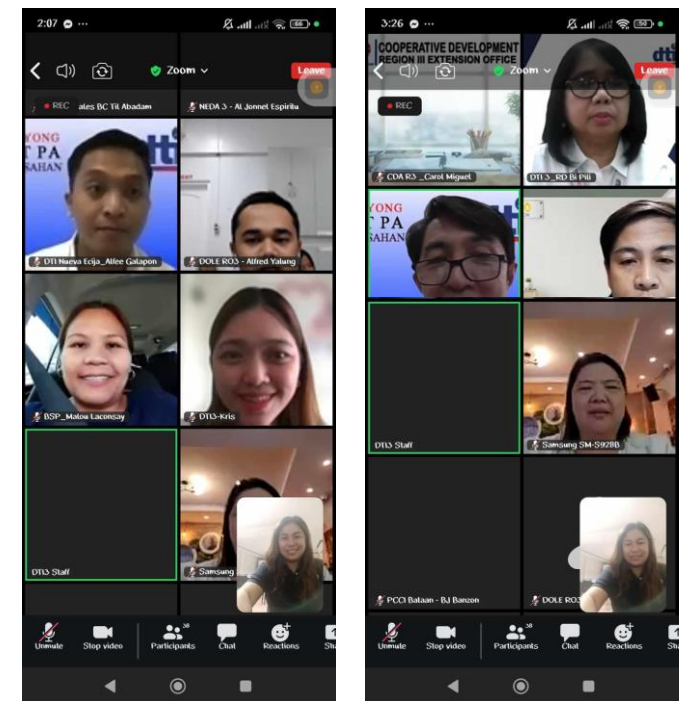
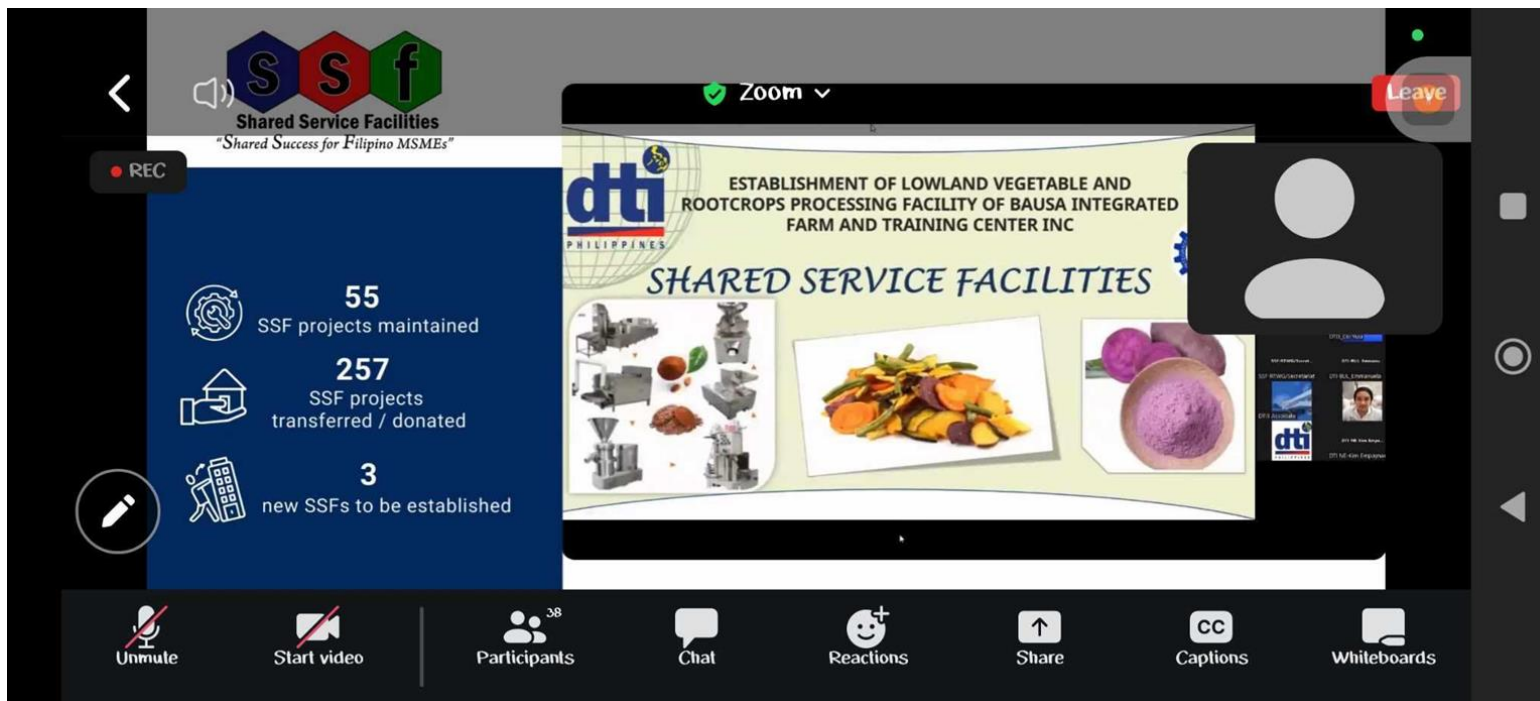


The Vice President for Chamber Services and Local Programs, Ms. Lilibeth M. Alcaraz, introduced Atty. Santiago as the resource speaker. Sixty-one (61) individuals from thirty-four (34) companies attended the webinar. BCCI Treasurer, Engr. Maria Cecilia G. Estinopo gave the closing remarks.



# REGIONAL MSMEDC MEETING

The Department of Trade and Industry-Region 3 hosted the 1st Quarter meeting of the Regional Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise Development (MSMED) Council-3 last April 3, 2024, via Zoom. The MSMED Council members shared their accomplishments in 2023. The meeting also served to inform the members of the major projects and programs of the MSMED Council for 2024. The BCCI Administrative Assistant, Ms. Marissa De Castro, attended the virtual meeting to represent the BCCI.



# PHILCONSTRUCT

The Philippine Constructors Association Inc. conducted the 4th PHILCONSTRUCT Luzon last April 4, 2024, at the SMX Convention Center Clark, Pampanga. PHILCONSTRUCT, the premier construction trade show series in the country, has become an integral platform for industry professionals, and this edition promises to be a showcase of unparalleled magnitude. The event featured a diverse array of indoor and outdoor displays from leading brands, encompassing everything from small-scale enterprises to the country's foremost suppliers and manufacturers. The event was attended by the BCCI Vice President for Operations, Mr. Alexander R. Torres to represent the BCCI accompanied by General Services Personnel, Mr. Efren C. Lopez.



# PCCI'S GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry conducted its General Membership Meeting with the theme “Looking Beyond the Usual: Priorities for Investments and Economic Development,” held last April 5, 2024, at the Mayuree Ballroom, Dusit Thani Hotel, Makati. The guest speaker was Hon. Frederick D. Go, Secretary and Special Assistant to the President for Investment and Economic Affairs. BCCI Trustees, Dr. Jehan Echavez, Ms. Lilibeth Alcaraz, and Engr. Maria Cecilia G. Estinopo attended the meeting to represent the BCCI.



# LAUNCHING OF INVEST BULACAN PLUS

The launching of Invest Bulacan Plus and the ceremonial signing of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Philippine Board of Investments and the Provincial Government of Bulacan were held last April 5, 2024, at Casie's Restaurant, City of Malolos, Bulacan. It was attended by different stakeholders, partner agencies, and the Local Economic Development and Investment Promotion Officers (LEDIPO). The program aimed to bolster and support the realization of an image for Bulacan as the ideal investment and business hub in the Philippines. It is part of the continuing campaign to accelerate the growth of investment and business in the province. Specifically, it is intended to Promote, Leverage, Upscale and Synergize development and investment promotion efforts of all stakeholders, both government and non-government sectors, towards sustainable and inclusive growth in the province. As the program partner, the BCCI gave a message of support through its president, Ms. Corina Tengco-Bautista.



# ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN FOR CLEAN AIR

The Ateneo Graduate School of Business class, under the MBA in Health Program, in partnership with the Philippine College of Chest Physicians and in collaboration with the Bulacan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc., conducted an advocacy campaign for clean air. The BCCI's Vice President for Advocacy, Dr. Jehan Echavez, was the head of the publicity committee for the said event. The BCCI President, Ms. Corina Tengco-Bautista, attended the event as one of the panelists.





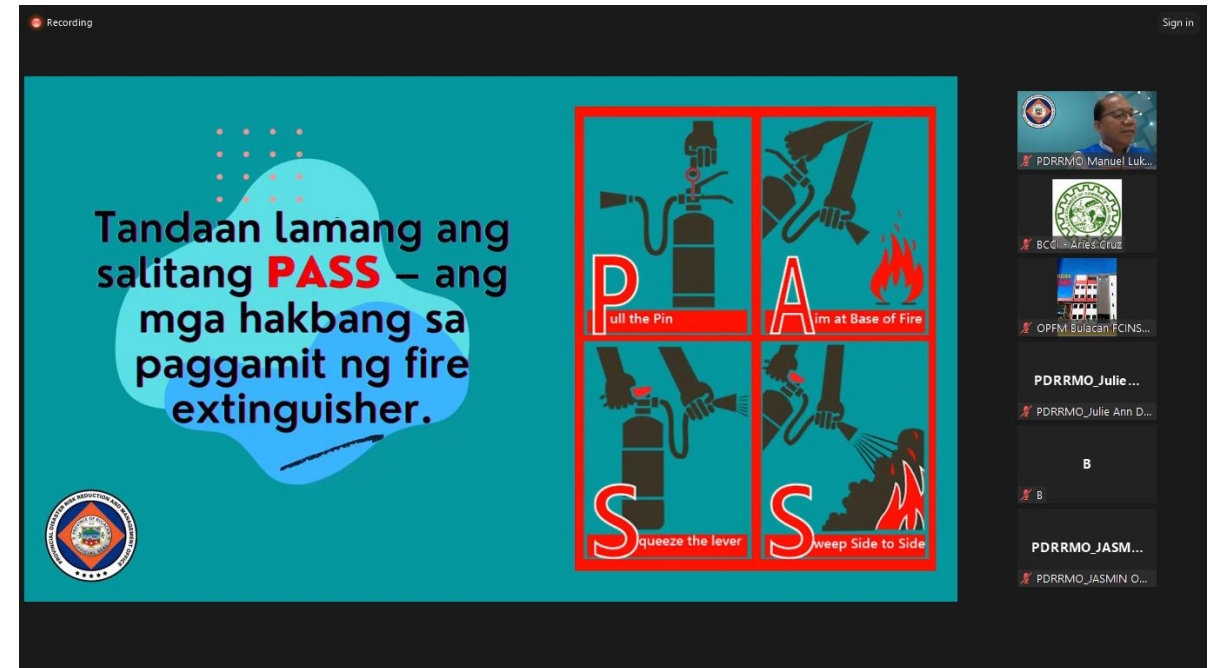
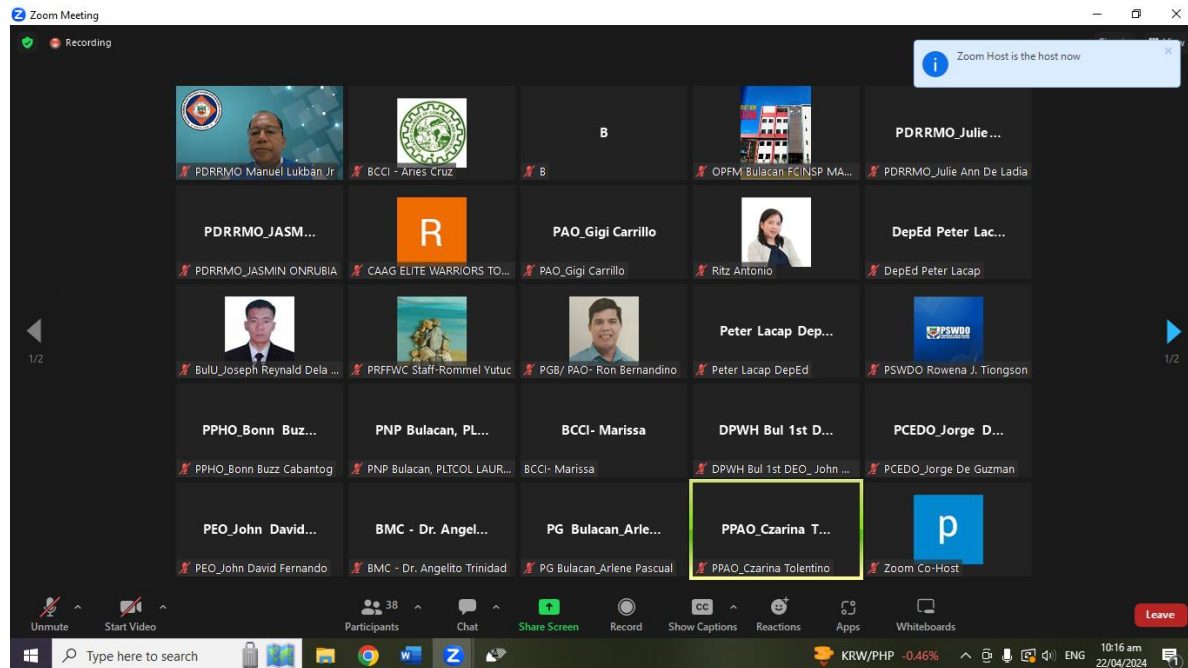
# SHARED-SERVICE FACILITY (SSF) TURNOVER CEREMONY

The Department of Trade and Industry – Bulacan celebrated a new milestone on one of its flagship projects, the Shared Service Facility, or SSF. The cooperators across the province of Bulacan, which includes the BCCI for the business resource center, were able to witness and utilize the benefits of the SSF project for their target MSMEs. DTI Bulacan donated three Shared Service Facilities (SSF) to LGU Calumpit, Manatal Multipurpose Cooperative, and Islam Traders Halal Transaction MPC. The turnover ceremony was held last April 16, 2024, at the BCCI-NC Training Room, Hiyas ng Bulacan Convention Center, Provincial Capitol Compound, City of Malolos, Bulacan. On behalf of the BCCI, Chairman Ofelia Mangulabnan and President Corina Tengco-Bautista gave a message of support to DTI and to the beneficiaries of the project.



# PDRRMC SPECIAL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

The Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office conducted a full council meeting last April 22, 2024, via Zoom. The meeting's agenda included the proposed Bulacan Provincial Evaluation Evacuation Center and the required documents for compliance with the upcoming submissions for the 24th Gawad Kalasag pertaining to LDRRMCO and GEMS. The virtual meeting was attended by the BCCI Trustee, Mr. Aristotle A. Cruz to represent the BCCI.



# PHILIPPINE QUALITY (PQA) REGIONALIZATION PROGRAM

The regionalization program is the decentralization of the PQA program, creating regional recognition for Levels 1 and 2 as a qualifying mechanism for national recognition and eventual PQA. For the region, we have four MSME nominees in this year's regionalization program. DTI-3 conferred awards to the Central Luzon MSMEs that qualified for Level 1 of the 2023 Philippine Quality Awards Regionalization Program during the Central Luzon Creative and Competitiveness Summit last April 25, 2024, at Quest Plus Conference Center, Clark Freeport. The BCCI President, Ms. Corina Tengco-Bautista, and Vice President for Membership, Ms. Carmencita C. Uychocho represented the BCCI to show support to the said program.



# BCCI's EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting of the BCCI's Executive Committee was held last April 29, 2024, at the BCCI-NC Training Room, Hiyas ng Bulacan Convention Center, Provincial Capitol Compound, City of Malolos, Bulacan. The meeting's main agenda was the preparation for the upcoming Most Outstanding Bulacan Businessmen (MOBB) 2024 Awards Night on May 24, 2024. The meeting was attended by eleven (11) trustees and the Secretariat.



# PROVINCIAL TOURISM COUNCIL MEETING

The Provincial Tourism Council Meeting was held last April 30, 2024, at the Antonio S. Bautista Bulacan Provincial Capitol Compound, City of Malolos, Bulacan, at the Hiyas ng Bulacan Cultural Center, organized by the Provincial History, Arts, Culture, and Tourism Office (PHACTO)-Bulacan. Mr. Carlito M. Geronimo, the BCCI's Chairperson for Committee on Tourism attended the meeting to represent BCCI as one of the members of the Council.



End of report.