



Laur Communal Irrigators Association Success Story

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Laur Communal Irrigators Association Inc. formerly Pinagbaryuhan Irrigators Association Inc. by 1974 the NIA castoff its pilot project for communal irrigation system which was constructed at Brgy. 3 of Laur province of Nueva Ecija. NIA constructed brass Dam to irrigate 100 hectare of land field for palay planting with 30 farmers beneficiaries. Due to typhoon after 3 years of constructed dam, the facility was damaged and the farmers of Pinagbaryuhan Irrigators Association lose their hope and begun to shift their livelihood aside from palay planting.

Few years later, in 2017, a man named Cesar Bantigue stood up and initiate breakthrough to his fellow farmers to held their dream to plant again. He initiated the renewal of the association into Laur Communal Irrigators Association. He asked help to various

government agencies to help them re construct the damaged dam and plant again. He taps the National Irrigation Administration Region 3, BANE IMO and proposed to reconstruct and rehabilitate the damaged dam, canal and their irrigation facility.

NIA did not fail the appeal of Mr. Bantigue for his fellow kababayan to continue their dream of contributing to the countries need for food sufficiency. The canal projects for Laur CIS were approved and constructed by year 2020 and 2022.

Today, the LACIA irrigates 1100 Has with 682 farmers beneficiaries with which was 498 were male and 184 were female. They have 2 cropping seasons in a year. The actual yield per Hectarage was 130 Cavan's of palay.

The following Recognition and wards of Laur Communal Irrigators Association Inc. from 2017-2023:

- Best communal Irrigation system of 2022 of NIA ANE IMO during the conduct of Year End Assessment of PASAMANE Federation.
- Most outstanding Irrigators Association of Communal Irrigation System for CY 2022 of NIA Region III
- Most outstanding Irrigators Association of Communal Irrigation System Luzon Wide for CY 2023 of NIA Nationwide.
- Best communal Irrigation system of 2023 of NIA ANE IMO during the conduct of Year End Assessment of PASAMANE Federation.
- Most outstanding Irrigators Association of Communal Irrigation System for CY 2023 of NIA Region III.
- Certificate of accreditation from Department of Agriculture for the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund (RCEF) or Rice Fund pursuant to DA Administrative Ordr No. 09 series of 2019, issued 27th day of January 2020.
- Certificate of accreditation from Sangguniang Bayan of Municipality of Laur, Province of Nueva Ecija given last 18th day of November 2022.
- Attended training on Social Preparation and Values Formation, Bookkeeping, Business Plan, Enterprise Management, Project Proposal Preparation and Cluster Development Plan"

The following are the farm machineries, Irrigation facilities and IA office of Laur Communal Irrigators Association Inc.

- Turnover of completed canal lining and diversion works from NIA ANE IMO November 22, 2022
- 2-unit four-wheel tractor
- 2 Hand Tractor
- 2-unit Rice Combine Harvester
- 1 unit rice Mill from DA
- 1 unit Dump Truck
- 2 units Back Hoe
- 2 transplanter
- Solar Dryer
- Recirculating Dryer
- Singel Pass Dryer
- 1 office Building
- Land Area of 3221 sqm.
- Laptop
- Printer

All machineries from Department of Agriculture used by the Association were one of the sources of their income generating fund and the savings were also used to buy other machineries. The operation and maintenance of the Association were also utilized to support the operation in general of the association.

The subsidy from NIA were also plays a big part on the development of the IA, it supports the canal clearing using the backhoe that finances by the subsidy.

The 5-year development plan of the association were keeping them forward as the operates with discipline and goal driven. The officials set good example through discipline which was the key of the association on running a good and outstanding Irrigators association.

They are from scratch going in to pure gold and ideal association to its neighboring farmers. They became admirable by others through the values and setting their mind that helping each member and sustain their livelihood through the undying help and support of all the government agencies, providing them trainings, seminars, learning and applying it to develop their skills and promote sustainable livelihood through farming and maintaining sufficient irrigation service to its members.

